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TO

FORM S-1

REGISTRATION STATEMENT

UNDER

THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

VICAL INCORPORATED

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	2836	93-0948554
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	(Primary Standard Industrial Classification Code Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

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(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: As soon as practicable after the effective date of this registration statement.

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, as amended (the "Securities Act"), check the following box.

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.

If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(c) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(d) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

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,” “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	(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)	Smaller reporting company
		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.

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of each class of securities to be registered	Proposed maximum aggregate offering price ⁽¹⁾	Amount of registration fee
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share	\$25,070,000	\$3,122 ⁽²⁾

(1) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the amount of the registration fee in accordance with Rule 457(o) under the Securities Act. Includes the offering price of any additional securities that the underwriter has the option to purchase.

(2) \$2,864 was previously paid.

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 that specifically states that this registration statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act or until the registration statement shall become effective on such date as the Securities and Exchange Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

The information in this preliminary prospectus is not complete and may be changed. We may not sell these securities until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. This prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities and we are not soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted.

Subject to completion, dated October 30, 2017

PRELIMINARY PROSPECTUS

VICAL INCORPORATED

10,000,000 Shares of Common Stock

We are offering 10,000,000 shares of our common stock. Our common stock is listed on the NASDAQ Capital Market under the symbol "VICL." On October 27, 2017, the last reported sale price of our common stock on the NASDAQ Capital Market was \$2.18 per share. The public offering price per share will be determined between us and the underwriter at the time of pricing, and may be at a discount to the current market price.

	Per Share	Total
Public offering price	\$	\$
Underwriting discounts and commissions ⁽¹⁾	\$	\$
Proceeds, before expenses, to us	\$	\$

(1) In addition, we have agreed to reimburse the underwriter for certain expenses. See "Underwriting" for additional information.

The offering is being underwritten on a firm commitment basis. We have granted the underwriter an option for a period of 30 days from the date of this prospectus to purchase up to an additional 1,500,000 shares of our common stock to cover over-allotments, if any.

Investing in our securities involves a high degree of risk. See the section entitled "Risk Factors" beginning on page 4 of this prospectus and in the documents incorporated by reference into this prospectus for a discussion of risks that should be considered in connection with an investment in our securities.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission 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 underwriter expects to deliver the shares of common stock to purchasers on or about November , 2017.

Sole Book-Running Manager

H.C. Wainwright & Co.

The date of this prospectus is November , 2017

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We have not, and the underwriter has not, authorized anyone to provide any information or to make any representations other than those contained in this prospectus or in any free writing prospectuses prepared by or on behalf of us or to which we have referred you. We take no responsibility for, and can provide no assurance as to the reliability of, any other information that others may give you. This prospectus is an offer to sell only the securities offered hereby, and only under circumstances and in jurisdictions where it is lawful to do so. The information contained in this prospectus or in any applicable free writing prospectus is current only as of its date, regardless of its time of delivery or any sale of our securities. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may have changed since that date.

For investors outside the United States: We have not, and the underwriter has not, done anything that would permit this offering or possession or distribution of this prospectus in any jurisdiction where action for that purpose is required, other than in the United States. Persons outside the United States who come into possession of this prospectus must inform themselves about, and observe any restrictions relating to, the offering of the securities and the distribution of this prospectus outside the United States.

PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

This summary highlights information contained in other parts of this prospectus or incorporated by reference into this prospectus from our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC, listed in the section of the prospectus entitled “Incorporation of Certain Information by Reference.” Because it is only a summary, it does not contain all of the information that you should consider before purchasing our securities in this offering and it is qualified in its entirety by, and should be read in conjunction with, the more detailed information appearing elsewhere or incorporated by reference into this prospectus. You should read the entire prospectus, the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part, and the information incorporated by reference herein in their entirety, including the “Risk Factors” and our financial statements and the related notes incorporated by reference into this prospectus, before purchasing our securities in this offering. Unless otherwise mentioned or unless the context requires otherwise, all references in this prospectus to “Vical,” “we,” “our,” “us” or similar references mean Vical Incorporated.

Overview

Our Company

We research and develop biopharmaceutical products, including those based on our patented DNA delivery technologies, for the prevention and treatment of serious or life-threatening diseases. We currently have three active product development programs, independent or partnered, in the clinical testing stage in the area of infectious disease comprised of:

- An ongoing Phase 3 trial of ASP0113 for prevention of cytomegalovirus, or CMV, reactivation in hematopoietic stem cell transplant recipients in collaboration with Astellas Pharma Inc., or Astellas. Enrollment of the trial was completed in September 2016 with a total of 515 subjects. Dosing in the trial was completed in April of 2017 and the one-year follow-up period was completed in September 2017. The primary endpoint of the trial is a composite of overall mortality and CMV end organ disease which will be assessed one year after transplantation. Astellas expects top-line data to be available in the first quarter of 2018. We and Astellas continue to make progress towards a Biologics License Application filing in 2018 with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, or FDA. Astellas has indicated that, if approved, it would seek to commercialize ASP0113 in North America, Europe and Asia.
- An ongoing Phase 2 trial of VCL-HB01, our therapeutic DNA vaccine for reduction of genital herpes lesion recurrences caused by herpes simplex virus type 2, or HSV-2, infection. Recruitment into the Phase 2 trial of VCL-HB01 has been completed with a total of 261 subjects enrolled at 15 U.S. clinical sites. The four-dose vaccination series was completed in July 2017, and all active subjects are currently being monitored for lesion recurrences during a 12-month follow-up period. VCL-HB01 is formulated with Vaxfectin® and encodes two full-length HSV-2 antigens gD and UL46, designed to reduce recurrences in patients with symptomatic genital HSV-2 infection. Healthy adult subjects, 18 to 50 years of age, have been randomized 2:1 to receive either vaccine or placebo to evaluate in a double-blinded fashion the efficacy and safety of the vaccine. The primary endpoint of the study is annualized lesion recurrence rate which is a clinically meaningful endpoint for both patients and treating physicians as it provides important information on the number of recurrences over time in this chronic disease setting. We expect to announce top-line data during the second quarter of 2018.
- A completed first-in-human Phase 1 trial of our novel antifungal VL-2397. The randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial evaluated safety, tolerability and pharmacokinetics of single and multiple ascending doses of intravenous VL-2397 in 96 healthy volunteers. Results point to a favorable safety and pharmacokinetic profile for VL-2397. The full data set was presented as one of four presentations at the ASM Microbe 2017 conference in June. The FDA has advised us that VL 2397 would be eligible for a Limited Use Indication, or LUI, approval assuming a successful outcome of a single Phase 2 trial carried out in accordance with a protocol and statistical analysis plan

consistent with the FDA's advice. The final determination of whether VL-2397 is approvable will be made by the FDA after review of all relevant data. We plan to initiate a Phase 2 trial for the treatment of invasive aspergillosis in acute leukemia patients and allogeneic hematopoietic cell transplant recipients in the fourth quarter of 2017. The FDA has granted us qualified infectious disease product, or QIDP, Orphan Drug and Fast Track designations with respect to VL-2397 for the treatment of invasive aspergillosis.

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Risks Associated with Our Business and this Offering

An investment in our securities involves a high degree of risk. Prior to making a decision about investing in our securities, you should carefully consider the risks described in the section entitled “Risk Factors” in this prospectus and in the documents incorporated by reference herein, as well as any updates thereto contained in subsequent filings with the SEC or any free writing prospectus. If any of these risks were to occur, our business, financial condition or results of operations would likely suffer. In that event, the value of our securities could decline, and you could lose all or part of your investment. The risks and uncertainties we describe are not the only ones facing us. Additional risks not presently known to us or that we currently deem immaterial may also impair our business, financial condition or results of operations.

Corporate and Other Information

We were incorporated in Delaware in 1987. Our headquarters are located at 10390 Pacific Center Court, San Diego, California 92121. Our telephone number is (858) 646-1100. We maintain an Internet website at www.vical.com. The reference to our Internet address does not constitute incorporation by reference of the information contained on our website.

We are a “smaller reporting company” as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the Exchange Act, and have elected to take advantage of certain of the scaled disclosure available for smaller reporting companies in this prospectus as well as our filings under the Exchange Act.

Any brand names or trademarks appearing in this prospectus or in documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus are the property of their respective owners.

The Offering

Common stock offered by us in this offering 10,000,000 shares.

Common stock to be outstanding after this offering 21,547,980 shares.

Option to purchase additional shares The underwriter has a 30-day option to purchase up to an additional 1,500,000 shares of our common stock to cover over-allotments, if any.

Use of proceeds We intend to use the net proceeds from this offering for general corporate purposes, including clinical trial expenses, research and development expenses, general and administrative expenses, manufacturing expenses, and potential acquisitions of companies and technologies that complement our business. See "Use of Proceeds."

Risk factors You should read the "Risk Factors" section of this prospectus for a discussion of certain of the factors to consider carefully before deciding to purchase any shares of our common stock in this offering.

National Securities Exchange Listing Our common stock is listed on the NASDAQ Capital Market under the symbol "VICL."

The number of shares of our common stock to be outstanding after this offering is based on 11,547,980 shares of common stock outstanding as of September 30, 2017 and excludes as of that date:

- 1,754,281 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of outstanding stock options, at a weighted-average exercise price of \$12.06 per share;
- 50,162 shares of common stock issuable upon the settlement of outstanding restricted stock units; and
- 638,959 shares of common stock reserved for future issuance under our Amended and Restated Stock Incentive Plan, or the Incentive Plan.

Such number also excludes 1,058,487 shares of common stock sold under our At-The-Market Issuance Sales Agreement with IFS Securities, Inc. after September 30, 2017.

Unless otherwise indicated, all information contained in this prospectus assumes no exercise by the underwriter of its over-allotment option.

RISK FACTORS

An investment in our securities involves a high degree of risk. Prior to making a decision about investing in our securities, you should carefully consider the risks described below, together with all of the other information included or incorporated by reference in this prospectus, including the risks described in the section entitled “Risk Factors” contained in our most recent quarterly report on Form 10-Q, which has been filed with the SEC and is incorporated by reference in this prospectus, as well as any updates thereto contained in subsequent filings with the SEC or any free writing prospectus. If any of these risks were to occur, our business, financial condition or results of operations would likely suffer. In that event, the value of our securities could decline, and you could lose all or part of your investment. The risks and uncertainties we describe are not the only ones facing us. Additional risks not presently known to us or that we currently deem immaterial may also impair our business, financial condition or results of operations.

Risks Related to this Offering

We will have broad discretion in the use of the net proceeds from this offering and may not use them effectively.

Our management will have broad discretion in the application of the net proceeds from this offering, including for any of the purposes described in the section entitled “Use of Proceeds,” and you will not have the opportunity as part of your investment decision to assess whether the net proceeds are being used appropriately. Because of the number and variability of factors that will determine our use of the net proceeds from this offering, their ultimate use may vary substantially from their currently intended use. Our management may not apply the net proceeds from this offering in ways that ultimately increase the value of your investment. The failure by our management to apply these funds effectively could harm our business. Pending their use, we may invest the net proceeds from this offering in short-term, investment-grade, interest-bearing securities. These investments may not yield a favorable return to our stockholders. If we do not invest or apply the net proceeds from this offering in ways that enhance stockholder value, we may fail to achieve expected financial results, which could cause our stock price to decline.

There may be future sales of our securities or other dilution of our equity, which may adversely affect the market price of our common stock.

We are generally not restricted from issuing additional common stock, including any securities that are convertible into or exchangeable for, or that represent the right to receive, common stock. The market price of our common stock could decline as a result of sales of common stock or securities that are convertible into or exchangeable for, or that represent the right to receive, common stock after this offering or the perception that such sales could occur.

Even if this offering is successful, we will need to raise additional capital in the future to continue operations, which may not be available on acceptable terms, or at all. Failure to obtain this necessary capital when needed may force us to delay, limit or terminate our product development efforts or other operations.

To date, we have not sold, or received approval to sell, any pharmaceutical products. We do not expect to sell any pharmaceutical products for at least the next several years. Our net losses were approximately \$9.0 million, \$9.2 million and \$16.5 million for the years ended December 31, 2016, 2015 and 2014, respectively. As of December 31, 2016, we had incurred cumulative net losses totaling approximately \$413.9 million. Moreover, we expect that our net losses will continue and may increase for the foreseeable future. We may not be able to achieve projected results if we generate lower revenues or receive lower investment income than expected, or we incur greater expenses than expected, or all of the above. Currently our revenues are largely dependent on manufacturing and research services performed under our license agreement with Astellas. That revenue may decrease once the ASP0113 trials are

complete or in the event that the development of the ASP0113 program ceases. We may never generate sufficient product revenue to become profitable. We also expect to have quarter-to-quarter fluctuations in revenues, expenses, and losses, some of which could be significant.

We estimate that we will receive net proceeds of approximately \$20.0 million from the sale of the securities offered by us in this offering, based on the assumed public offering price of \$2.18 per share (the last reported sale price of our common stock on the NASDAQ Capital Market on October 27, 2017), and after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us. In the event of a decrease in the net proceeds to us from this offering as a result of a decrease in the assumed public offering price or the

number of shares offered by us, we may need to raise additional capital sooner than we anticipate or may need to scale back or eliminate certain of our development programs.

We may need to raise more money to continue the research and development necessary to bring our products to market and to establish marketing and additional manufacturing capabilities. We may seek additional funds through public and private stock offerings, government contracts and grants, arrangements with corporate collaborators, borrowings under lines of credit or other sources. We currently have on file a shelf registration statement that allows us to raise proceeds from the sale of common stock, preferred stock, debt securities and/or warrants subject to applicable rules under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. However, we may not be able to raise additional funds on favorable terms, or at all. Conditions in the credit markets and the financial services industry may make equity and debt financing more difficult to obtain, and may negatively impact our ability to complete financing transactions. To the extent that we raise additional funds by issuing equity securities, our stockholders may experience significant dilution. Any debt financing, if available, may involve restrictive covenants, such as limitations on our ability to incur additional indebtedness and other operating restrictions that could adversely impact our ability to conduct our business.

In October 2016, we also entered into an At-The-Market Issuance Sales Agreement, or the ATM Agreement, with IFS Securities, Inc. (doing business as Brinson Patrick, a division of IFS Securities, Inc.), or BP, under which we may issue and sell up to \$10.0 million of shares of our common stock from time to time. As of October 27, 2017, we had sold 1,509,370 shares of our common stock under the ATM Agreement and have received gross proceeds of approximately \$4.3 million. BP is not obligated to sell any shares that we may request to be sold, and any attempt to sell shares under this facility, if made, may not be successful or generate sufficient proceeds to meet our capital requirements.

If we are unable to obtain additional funds, we may have to scale back our development of new products, reduce our workforce or license to others products or technologies that we otherwise would seek to commercialize ourselves. The amount of money we may need would depend on many factors, including:

- The progress of our research and development programs;
- The scope and results of our preclinical studies and clinical trials;
- The amount of our legal expenses and any settlement or damages payments associated with litigation; and
- The time and costs involved in: obtaining necessary regulatory approvals; filing, prosecuting and enforcing patent claims; scaling up our manufacturing capabilities; and the commercial arrangements we may establish.

We may be unable to maintain compliance with the NASDAQ Marketplace Rules which could cause our common stock to be delisted from the NASDAQ Capital Market. This could result in the lack of a market for our common stock, cause a decrease in the value of an investment in us, and adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Our common stock is currently listed on the NASDAQ Capital Market. To maintain the listing of our common stock on the NASDAQ Capital Market, we are required to meet certain listing requirements, including, among others, either: (i) a minimum closing bid price of \$1.00 per share, a market value of publicly held shares (excluding shares held by our executive officers, directors and 10% or more stockholders) of at least \$1 million and stockholders' equity of at least \$2.5 million; or (ii) a minimum closing bid price of \$1.00 per share, a market value of publicly held shares (excluding shares held by our executive officers, directors and 10% or more stockholders) of at least \$1 million and a total market value of listed securities of at least \$35 million. As of October 27, 2017, the closing sale price per share of our common stock was \$2.18, the total market value of our publicly held shares of our common stock (excluding shares held by our executive officers, directors and 10% or more stockholders) was approximately \$22.7 million and the total market value of our listed securities was approximately \$27.5 million. There is no assurance that we will continue to meet the minimum closing price requirement and other listing requirements. As of September 30, 2017,

we had stockholders' equity of approximately \$37.7 million. Although NASDAQ may provide us with a compliance period in which to regain compliance with the listing requirements, we cannot assure you that we would be able to regain compliance within the period provided by NASDAQ.

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In the event that our common stock is delisted from NASDAQ and is not eligible for quotation or listing on another market or exchange, trading of our common stock could be conducted only in the over-the-counter market or on an electronic bulletin board established for unlisted securities such as the Pink Sheets or the OTC Bulletin Board. In such event, it could become more difficult to dispose of, or obtain accurate price quotations for, our common stock, and there would likely also be a reduction in our coverage by securities analysts and the news media, which could cause the price of our common stock to decline further.

SPECIAL NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference herein contain forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements are contained principally in the sections entitled “Prospectus Summary,” “Risk Factors,” “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” and “Business” in this prospectus or the documents incorporated herein by reference. These statements relate to future events or to our future financial performance and involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which may cause our actual results, performance or achievements to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements about:

- the success, cost and timing of our product development activities and clinical trials;
- our estimates regarding anticipated operating losses, capital requirements and needs for additional funds;
- our ability to obtain funding for our operations beyond this offering when needed and to continue our research and development programs;
- our plans to develop and commercialize our product candidates;
- our ability to attract collaborators with development, regulatory and commercialization expertise;
- the safety and efficacy of our product candidates;
- the anticipated regulatory pathways for our product candidates;
- our ability to successfully complete preclinical and clinical development of, and obtain regulatory approval of our product candidates and commercialize any approved products on our expected timeframes or at all;
- the content and timing of submissions to and decisions made by the FDA and other regulatory agencies;
- our ability to leverage the experience of our management team;
- our ability to attract and keep management and other key personnel;
- the capacities and performance of our contract research organizations, medical institutions, contract laboratories and other third parties over whom we have limited control;
 - the actions of our competitors and success of competing drugs that are or may become available;
- our expectations with respect to future growth and investments in our infrastructure, and our ability to effectively manage any such growth;
- the size and potential growth of the markets for any of our product candidates, and our ability to capture share in or impact the size of those markets;
- the benefits of our product candidates;
- market and industry trends;
- the outcome of any litigation in which we or any of our officers or directors may be involved;
- the effects of government regulation and regulatory developments, and our ability and the ability of the third parties with whom we engage to comply with applicable regulatory requirements;
- the accuracy of our estimates regarding future expenses, revenues, capital requirements and needs for additional financing;
- our expectations regarding future planned expenditures;

- our expectations regarding our ability to obtain, maintain and adequately maintain sufficient intellectual property protection of any of our products and product candidates;
- our expected use of the net proceeds from this offering; and
- our ability to operate our business without infringing the intellectual property rights of others.

In some cases, you can identify these statements by terms such as “anticipate,” “believe,” “could,” “estimate,” “expect,” “intend,” “may,” “plan,” “potential,” “predict,” “project,” “should,” “will,” “would” or the negative of those terms, and similar expressions convey uncertainty of future events or outcomes. These forward-looking statements reflect our management’s beliefs and views with respect to future events and are based on estimates and assumptions as of the date of this prospectus and are subject to risks and uncertainties. We discuss many of these risks in greater detail in the documents incorporated by reference herein, usually under the heading “Risk Factors.” Moreover, we operate in a very competitive and rapidly changing environment. New risks emerge from time to time. It is not possible for our management to predict all risks, nor can we assess the impact of all factors on our business or the extent to which any factor, or combination of factors, may cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statements we may make. Given these uncertainties, you should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements.

You should carefully read this prospectus, the documents that we incorporate by reference into this prospectus and the documents we reference in this prospectus and have filed as exhibits to the registration statement, of which this prospectus is a part, completely and with the understanding that our actual future results may be materially different from what we expect. We qualify all of the forward-looking statements by these cautionary statements.

Except as required by law, we assume no obligation to update these forward-looking statements publicly, or to update the reasons actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. 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.

USE OF PROCEEDS

We estimate that we will receive net proceeds of approximately \$20.0 million (or approximately \$23.0 million if the underwriter's over-allotment option is exercised in full) from the sale of the securities offered by us in this offering, based on the assumed public offering price of \$2.18 per share (the last reported sale price of our common stock on the NASDAQ Capital Market on October 27, 2017), and after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us.

A \$0.10 increase (decrease) in the assumed public offering price of \$2.18 per share would increase (decrease) the net proceeds to us from this offering by approximately \$0.9 million, assuming that the number of shares offered by us, as set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, remains the same and after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us.

Similarly, a one million share increase (decrease) in the number of shares offered by us, as set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, would increase (decrease) the net proceeds to us by approximately \$2.0 million, assuming the assumed public offering price of \$2.18 per share remains the same, and after deducting estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us.

We currently intend to use the net proceeds from this offering for general corporate purposes, including clinical trial expenses, research and development expenses, general and administrative expenses, manufacturing expenses, and potential acquisitions of companies and technologies that complement our business. See "Risk Factors" for a discussion of certain risks that may affect our intended use of the net proceeds from this offering.

Our expected use of net proceeds from this offering represents our current intentions based upon our present plans and business condition. As of the date of this prospectus, we cannot currently allocate specific percentages of the net proceeds that we may use for the purposes specified above, and we cannot predict with certainty all of the particular uses for the net proceeds to be received upon the completion of this offering, or the amounts that we will actually spend on the uses set forth above. The amounts and timing of our actual use of the net proceeds will vary depending on numerous factors, including our ability to obtain additional financing, the progress, cost and results of our preclinical and clinical development programs, and whether we are able to enter into future licensing or collaboration arrangements. We may find it necessary or advisable to use the net proceeds for other purposes, and our management will have broad discretion in the application of the net proceeds, and investors will be relying on our judgment regarding the application of the net proceeds from this offering.

Pending the use of the net proceeds from this offering, we intend to invest the net proceeds in investment-grade, interest-bearing instruments.

DESCRIPTION OF CAPITAL STOCK

As of the date of this prospectus, our restated certificate of incorporation authorizes us to issue 50,000,000 shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share and 5,000,000 shares of preferred stock, par value \$0.01 per share. As of October 27, 2017, 12,607,194 shares of common stock were outstanding and no shares of preferred stock were outstanding.

The following summary describes the material terms of our capital stock. The description of capital stock is qualified by reference to our restated certificate of incorporation and our amended and restated bylaws, which are exhibits to this prospectus.

Common Stock

The description of our common stock contained in our Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed with the SEC on January 8, 1993 is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety, as well as any amendment or update thereto reflected in subsequent filings with the SEC. See “Incorporation of Certain Information by Reference.”

Preferred Stock

Under our restated certificate of incorporation, our board of directors is authorized to issue additional shares of our preferred stock from time to time, in one or more classes or series, without stockholder approval. Prior to the issuance of shares of each class or series, our board of directors is required by the Delaware General Corporation Law, or the DGCL, and our restated certificate of incorporation to adopt resolutions and file a certificate of designation with the Delaware Secretary of State. The certificate of designation fixes for each class or series the designations, powers, preferences, rights, qualifications, limitations and restrictions of that class or series, including the following:

- the number of shares constituting each class or series;
- voting rights;
- rights and terms of redemption, including sinking fund provisions;
- dividend rights and rates;
- terms concerning the distribution of assets;
- conversion or exchange terms;
- redemption prices; and
- liquidation preferences.

We currently have on file a shelf registration statement that allows us to raise proceeds from the sale of common stock, preferred stock, debt securities and/or warrants and our restated certificate of incorporation authorizes us to issue up to 5,000,000 shares of preferred stock. The issuance of preferred stock could adversely affect the voting power of holders of our common stock, and reduce the likelihood that our common stockholders will receive dividend payments and payments upon liquidation. The issuance of preferred stock could also decrease the market price of our common stock, or have terms and conditions that could discourage a takeover or other transaction that might involve a premium price for our shares or that our stockholders might believe to be in their best interests.

Anti-Takeover Provisions

Delaware Anti-Takeover Law

We are subject to Section 203 of the DGCL. Section 203 generally prohibits a public Delaware corporation from engaging in a “business combination” with an “interested stockholder” for a period of three years after the date of the transaction in which the person became an interested stockholder, unless:

prior to the date of the transaction, the board of directors of the corporation approved either the business combination or the transaction that resulted in the stockholder becoming an interested stockholder;

the interested stockholder owned at least 85% of the voting stock of the corporation outstanding at the time the transaction commenced, excluding for purposes of determining the number of shares outstanding (a) shares owned by persons who are directors and also officers of the corporation and (b) shares issued under employee stock plans under which employee participants do not have the right to determine whether shares held subject to the plan will be tendered in a tender or exchange offer; or

on or subsequent to the date of the transaction, the business combination is approved by the board and authorized at an annual or special meeting of stockholders, and not by written consent, by the affirmative vote of at least 66 $\frac{2}{3}$ % of the outstanding voting stock that is not owned by the interested stockholder.

Section 203 defines a business combination to include:

any merger or consolidation involving the corporation and the interested stockholder;

any sale, transfer, pledge or other disposition involving the interested stockholder of 10% or more of the assets of the corporation;

subject to exceptions, any transaction that results in the issuance or transfer by the corporation of any stock of the corporation to the interested stockholder;

any transaction involving the corporation that has the effect of increasing the proportionate share of its stock owned by the interested stockholder; or

- the receipt by the interested stockholder of the benefit of any loans, advances, guarantees, pledges or other financial benefits provided by or through the corporation.

In general, Section 203 defines an interested stockholder as any entity or person beneficially owning 15% or more of the outstanding voting stock of the corporation and any entity or person affiliated with or controlling or controlled by the entity or person.

Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws

Some provisions of our restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws could also have anti-takeover effects. These provisions:

provide for a board comprised of three classes of directors with each class serving a staggered three-year term;

- authorize our board of directors to issue preferred stock from time to time, in one or more classes or series, without stockholder approval;
- require the approval of at least two-thirds of our outstanding voting stock to amend specified provisions of our certificate of incorporation;

require the approval of at least two-thirds of our total number of authorized directors, or two-thirds of our outstanding voting stock, to amend our bylaws;

provide that special meetings of our stockholders may be called only by our Chief Executive Officer, or by our board of directors pursuant to a resolution adopted by a majority of the total number of authorized directors; and

do not include a provision for cumulative voting for directors (under cumulative voting, a minority stockholder holding a sufficient percentage of a class of shares may be able to ensure the election of one or more directors).

In addition, in August 2016, we completed a private placement of our common stock to AnGes MG, Inc., or AnGes, immediately following which AnGes owned approximately 18.6% of our outstanding shares. In connection with the

private placement, AnGes agreed to vote all of its shares in accordance with the recommendations of our board of directors on any matter brought before our stockholders for a vote, subject to certain limitations. This voting provision may also discourage or prevent attempts by other stockholders to replace members of our board of directors or engage in acquisition activities that our board of directors does not determine to be in the best interests of our stockholders.

NASDAQ Capital Market Listing

Our common stock is listed on the NASDAQ Capital Market under the symbol "VICL."

Transfer Agent and Registrar

The transfer agent and registrar for our common stock is Computershare Shareowner Services LLC. Its address is P.O. Box 3580160, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15252-8010 and its telephone number is (800) 851-9677.

UNDERWRITING

We have entered into an underwriting agreement dated _____, 2017, with H.C. Wainwright & Co., LLC as the sole book-running manager of this offering. Subject to the terms and conditions of the underwriting agreement, we have agreed to sell to the underwriter and the underwriter has agreed to purchase from us, at the public offering price less the underwriting discounts and commissions set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, _____ shares of our common stock.

A copy of the underwriting agreement has been filed as an exhibit to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part. The shares of common stock we are offering are being offered by the underwriter subject to certain conditions specified in the underwriting agreement.

We have been advised by the underwriter that it proposes to offer the shares directly to the public at the public offering price set forth on the cover page of this prospectus. Any shares sold by the underwriter to securities dealers will be sold at the public offering price less a selling concession not in excess of \$ _____ per share.

The underwriting agreement provides that the underwriter's obligation to purchase the securities we are offering is subject to conditions contained in the underwriting agreement. The underwriter is obligated to purchase and pay for all of the shares offered by this prospectus.

No action has been taken by us or the underwriter that would permit a public offering of the common stock in any jurisdiction where action for that purpose is required. None of the shares included in this offering may be offered or sold, directly or indirectly, nor may this prospectus or any other offering material or advertisements in connection with the offer and sales of any of the shares be distributed or published in any jurisdiction, except under circumstances that will result in compliance with the applicable rules and regulations of that jurisdiction. Persons who receive this prospectus are advised to inform themselves about and to observe any restrictions relating to this offering of the common stock and the distribution of this prospectus. This prospectus is neither an offer to sell nor a solicitation of any offer to buy the common stock in any jurisdiction where that would not be permitted or legal.

The underwriter has advised us that it does not intend to confirm sales to any accounts over which it exercises discretionary authority.

Underwriting Discounts, Commissions and Expenses

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The following table shows the public offering price, underwriting discounts and commissions and proceeds, before expenses to us. These amounts are shown assuming both no exercise and full exercise of the underwriter's option to purchase additional shares.

	Total	
	Per Share	Without Option Exercise With Option Exercise
Public offering price		
Underwriting discounts and commissions		
Proceeds, before expenses, to us		

We estimate the total expenses payable by us for this offering to be approximately \$1.8 million, which amount includes (i) an assumed underwriting discount of \$1.4 million (\$1.6 million if the underwriter's option to purchase additional shares is exercised in full) based upon the assumed public offering price of \$2.18 per share (the last reported sale price of our common stock on the NASDAQ Capital Market on October 27, 2017), (ii) \$50,000 non-accountable expense allowance payable to the underwriter, (iii) reimbursement of the accountable expenses of the underwriter equal to \$100,000 (none of which has been paid in advance), including the legal fees of the underwriter being paid by us, and (iv) other estimated expenses of approximately \$275,000 which include legal, accounting, printing costs and various fees associated with the registration and listing of our shares.

Tail

We have also agreed to a tail fee equal to the cash compensation in this offering if any investor to which the underwriter contacted or introduced us with respect to this offering during the term of its engagement provides us with further capital in a public or private offering or capital raising transaction, with certain exceptions, during the 5-month period following termination of our engagement of the underwriter.

Option to Purchase Additional Shares

We have granted to the underwriter an option, exercisable not later than 30 days after the date of this prospectus, to purchase up to an additional 1,500,000 shares of common stock at the public offering price, less the underwriting discounts and commissions, set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, to cover over-allotments, if any. If any additional shares of common stock are purchased pursuant to the option to purchase additional shares, the underwriter will offer these shares of common stock on the same terms as those on which the other shares of common stock are being offered hereby.

NASDAQ Capital Market Listing

Our stock is currently traded on the NASDAQ Capital Market under the symbol "VICL." On October 27, 2017, the closing price of our common stock was \$2.18 per share.

Lock-up Agreements

Our officers and directors have agreed with the underwriter to be subject to a lock-up period of 90 days following the date of this prospectus. This means that, during the applicable lock-up period, such persons may not offer for sale, contract to sell, sell, distribute, grant any option, right or warrant to purchase, pledge, hypothecate or otherwise dispose of, directly or indirectly, any shares of our common stock or any securities convertible into, or exercisable or exchangeable for, shares of our common stock. Certain limited transfers are permitted during the lock-up period if the transferee agrees to these lock-up restrictions. We have also agreed, in the underwriting agreement, to similar lock-up restrictions on the issuance and sale of our securities for 90 days following the closing of this offering, although we will be permitted to issue stock options or stock awards to directors, officers, employees and consultants under our existing plans. The underwriter may, in its sole discretion and without notice, waive the terms of any of these lock-up agreements.

Stabilization, Short Positions and Penalty Bids

The underwriter may engage in syndicate covering transactions, stabilizing transactions and penalty bids or purchases for the purpose of pegging, fixing or maintaining the price of our common stock:

Syndicate covering transactions involve purchases of securities in the open market after the distribution has been completed in order to cover syndicate short positions. Such a naked short position would be closed out by buying securities in the open market. A naked short position is more likely to be created if the underwriter is concerned that there could be downward pressure on the price of the securities in the open market after pricing that could adversely affect investors who purchase in the offering.

- Stabilizing transactions permit bids to purchase the underlying security so long as the stabilizing bids do not exceed a specific maximum.

- Penalty bids permit the underwriter to reclaim a selling concession from a syndicate member when the securities originally sold by the syndicate member are purchased in a stabilizing or syndicate covering transaction to cover syndicate short positions.

These syndicate covering transactions, stabilizing transactions and penalty bids may have the effect of raising or maintaining the market prices of our securities or preventing or retarding a decline in the market prices of our securities. As a result, the price of our common stock may be higher than the price that might otherwise exist in the open market. Neither we nor the underwriter make any representation or prediction as to the effect that the transactions described above may have on the price of our common stock. These transactions may be effected on the NASDAQ Capital Market, in the over-the-counter market or on any other trading market and, if commenced, may be discontinued at any time.

In connection with this offering, the underwriter also may engage in passive market making transactions in our common stock in accordance with Regulation M during a period before the commencement of offers or sales of shares of our common stock in this offering and extending through the completion of the distribution. In general, a passive market maker must display its bid at a price not in excess of the highest independent bid for that security. However, if all independent bids are lowered below the passive market maker's bid that bid must then be lowered when specific purchase limits are exceeded. Passive market making may stabilize the market price of the securities at a level above that which might otherwise prevail in the open market and, if commenced, may be discontinued at any time.

Neither we nor the underwriter make any representation or prediction as to the direction or magnitude of any effect that the transactions described above may have on the prices of our securities. In addition, neither we nor the underwriter make any representation that the underwriter will engage in these transactions or that any transactions, once commenced, will not be discontinued without notice.

Indemnification

We have agreed to indemnify the underwriter against certain liabilities, including certain liabilities arising under the Securities Act, or to contribute to payments that the underwriter may be required to make for these liabilities.

Other Relationships

The underwriter and its respective affiliates have engaged in, and may in the future engage in, investment banking and other commercial dealings in the ordinary course of business with us or our affiliates. The underwriter has received, or may in the future receive, customary fees and commissions for these transactions.

LEGAL MATTERS

The validity of the securities being offered by this prospectus will be passed upon for us by Cooley LLP, San Diego, California. The underwriter is being represented by Latham & Watkins LLP, San Diego, California.

EXPERTS

The financial statements of Vical Incorporated at December 31, 2016 and 2015, and for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2016, incorporated by reference in this Preliminary Prospectus and Registration Statement have been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, as set forth in their report thereon incorporated by reference elsewhere herein, and are incorporated by reference in reliance upon such report given on the authority of such firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

WHERE YOU CAN FIND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

We have filed with the SEC a registration statement on Form S-1 under the Securities Act, with respect to the securities being offered by this prospectus. This prospectus does not contain all of the information in the registration statement and its exhibits. For further information with respect to us and the securities offered by this prospectus, we refer you to the registration statement and its exhibits. Statements contained in this prospectus as to the contents of any contract or any other document referred to are not necessarily complete, and in each instance, we refer you to the copy of the contract or other document filed as an exhibit to the registration statement. Each of these statements is qualified in all respects by this reference.

You can read our SEC filings, including the registration statement, over the Internet at the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. You may also read and copy any document we file with the SEC at its public reference facilities at 100 F Street NE, Washington, D.C. 20549. You may also obtain copies of these documents at prescribed rates by writing to the Public Reference Section of the SEC at 100 F Street N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the operation of the public reference facilities. You may also request a copy of these filings, at no cost, by writing us at 10390 Pacific Center Court, San Diego, California 92121 or telephoning us at (858) 646-1100.

We are subject to the information and periodic reporting requirements of the Exchange Act, and we file periodic reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. These periodic reports, proxy statements and other information are available for inspection and copying at the public reference room and website of the SEC referred to above. We maintain a website at <http://www.vical.com>. You may access 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 with the SEC free of charge at our website as soon as reasonably practicable after such material is electronically filed with, or furnished to, the SEC. The information contained in, or that can be accessed through, our website is not incorporated by reference in, and is not part of, this prospectus.

INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN INFORMATION BY REFERENCE

The SEC allows us to "incorporate by reference" information from other documents that we file with it, which means that we can disclose important information to you by referring you to those documents. The information incorporated by reference is considered to be part of this prospectus. Information in this prospectus supersedes information incorporated by reference that we filed with the SEC prior to the date of this prospectus.

We incorporate by reference into this prospectus and the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part the information or documents listed below that we have filed with the SEC (Commission File No. 000-21088):

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our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016, which was filed with the SEC on March 10, 2017;

our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the quarters ended March 31, 2017, June 30, 2017 and September 30, 2017, which were filed with the SEC on May 15, 2017, August 8, 2017 and October 24, 2017, respectively;

our Current Reports on Form 8-K, which were filed with the SEC on April 4, 2017, June 1, 2017 and October 2, 2017;

- our definitive proxy statement relating to our 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, which was filed with the SEC on April 7, 2017; and
- the description of our common stock contained in the Registration Statement on Form 8-A, which was filed with the SEC on January 8, 1993.

In addition, all documents subsequently filed by us pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act, prior to the termination of the offering (excluding any information furnished rather than filed) shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference into this prospectus.

You may request a free copy of any of the documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus by writing or telephoning us at the following address:

Vical Incorporated

10390 Pacific Center Court

San Diego, California 92121

(858) 646-1100

Attention: Investor Relations

In accordance with Rule 412 of the Securities Act, any statement contained in a document incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed modified or superseded to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any other subsequently filed document which also is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement.

VICAL INCORPORATED

10,000,000 Shares of Common Stock

PROSPECTUS

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H.C. Wainwright & Co.

November , 2017

PART II
INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

Item 13. Other Expenses of Issuance and Distribution.

The following table sets forth all costs and expenses, other than underwriting discounts and commissions, paid or payable by us, in connection with the sale of the securities being registered under this registration statement. All amounts shown are estimates except for the Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC, registration fee and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc., or FINRA, filing fee.

	Amount
SEC registration fee	\$ 3,122
FINRA filing fee	4,261
Legal fees and expenses	125,000
Accounting fees and expenses	100,000
Transfer agent and registrar fees and expenses	4,000
Miscellaneous expenses	38,617
Total	\$ 275,000

Item 14. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

We are incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware. Section 145 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, or the DGCL, provides that a Delaware corporation may indemnify any persons who are, or are threatened to be made, parties to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of such corporation), by reason of the fact that such person was an officer, director, employee or agent of such corporation, or is or was serving at the request of such person as an officer, director, employee or agent of another corporation or enterprise. The indemnity may include expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with such action, suit or proceeding, provided that such person acted in good faith and in a manner he or she reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the corporation's best interests and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe that his or her conduct was illegal. A Delaware corporation may indemnify any persons who are, or are threatened to be made, a party to any threatened, pending or completed action or suit by or in the right of the corporation by reason of the fact that such person was a director, officer, employee or agent of such corporation, or is or was serving at the request of such corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation or enterprise. The indemnity may include expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with the defense or settlement of such action or suit provided such person acted in good faith and in a manner he or she reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the corporation's best interests except that no indemnification is permitted without judicial approval if the officer or director is adjudged to be liable to the corporation. Where an officer or director is successful on the merits or otherwise in the defense of any action referred to above, the corporation must indemnify him or her against the expenses which such officer or director has actually and reasonably incurred. Article X of our restated certificate of incorporation provides for indemnification of our directors and officers, and Article V of our amended and restated bylaws provides for indemnification of our directors, officers, employees and other agents, to the maximum extent permitted by the DGCL. We have entered into indemnification agreements with our officers and directors. In addition, we maintain a policy providing directors' and officers' liability insurance.

Section 102 of the DGCL permits a corporation to provide in its certificate of incorporation that a director of the corporation shall not be personally liable to the corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duties as a director, except for liability:

•for any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the corporation or its stockholders;

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for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law;
for acts related to unlawful stock repurchases, redemptions or other distributions or payment of dividends; or
for any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit.

Our restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws include such a provision. Expenses incurred by any officer or director in defending any such action, suit or proceeding in advance of its final disposition shall be paid by us upon delivery to us of an undertaking, by or on behalf of such director or officer, to repay all amounts so advanced if it shall ultimately be determined that such director or officer is not entitled to be indemnified by us.

Item 15. Recent Sales of Unregistered Securities.

Set forth below is information regarding securities issued by us since January 1, 2014 that were not registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Act. Also included is the consideration, if any, received by us, for such securities and information relating to the Securities Act, or rule of the SEC, under which exemption from registration was claimed.

On March 24, 2015, we entered into a license agreement with Astellas Pharma Inc., or Astellas, granting us an exclusive, worldwide license to develop and commercialize VL-2397. In connection with the equity payments contemplated by the license agreement, on March 24, 2015, we entered into a separate stock purchase agreement with Astellas, or the Stock Purchase Agreement. Pursuant to the Stock Purchase Agreement, we issued an aggregate of 86,121 unregistered shares of our common stock to Astellas at a per share purchase price of approximately \$10.01, in partial consideration for the rights granted to us under the license agreement. The shares of our common stock issued to Astellas under the Stock Purchase Agreement were issued pursuant to the exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act afforded by Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act and/or Rule 506 of Regulation D promulgated thereunder, as a transaction to an accredited investor not involving a public offering. Astellas represented to us that its intention was to acquire the securities for investment only and not with a view to the resale or distribution of the securities.

On August 1, 2016, we entered into a stock purchase agreement with AnGes, pursuant to which AnGes purchased 1,841,420 unregistered shares of our common stock at a per share price of \$4.2448, or the AnGes Stock Purchase Agreement. The shares of our common stock issued to AnGes under the AnGes Stock Purchase Agreement were issued pursuant to the exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act afforded by Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act, as a transaction to an accredited investor not involving a public offering. AnGes represented to us that it intended to acquire the securities for investment only and not with a view to the resale or distribution of the securities.

Item 16. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules.

(a) Exhibits.

See the Exhibit Index attached to this registration statement, which is incorporated by reference herein.

(b) Financial Statement Schedules.

No financial statement schedules are provided because the information called for is not required or is shown either in the financial statements or the notes thereto.

Item 17. Undertakings.

The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes to provide to the underwriter at the closing specified in the Underwriting Agreement certificates in such denominations and registered in such names as required by the underwriter to permit prompt delivery to each purchaser.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the Registrant has been

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advised that in the opinion of the SEC 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 and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

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;
 - (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 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement;
 - (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;
- (2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, 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 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 (§230.424 of this chapter);
 - (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.

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- (5) For purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, the information omitted from the form of prospectus filed as part of this registration statement in reliance upon Rule 430A and contained in a form of prospectus filed by the Registrant pursuant to Rule 424(b)(1) or (4) or 497(h) under the Securities Act shall be deemed to be part of this registration statement as of the time it was declared effective.
- (6) For the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each post-effective amendment that contains a form of prospectus 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.

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number	Description of Document
1.1	<u>Form of Underwriting Agreement.</u>
3.1(i)(1)	Restated Certificate of Incorporation. (P)
3.2(ii)(2)	<u>Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Company.</u>
3.3(i)(2)	<u>Certificate of Amendment to Restated Certificate of Incorporation.</u>
3.4(i)(3)	<u>Certificate of Amendment to Restated Certificate of Incorporation.</u>
3.5(i)(4)	<u>Certificate of Amendment to Restated Certificate of Incorporation.</u>
3.6(i)(5)	<u>Certificate of Amendment to Restated Certificate of Incorporation.</u>
4.1(1)	Specimen Common Stock Certificate. (P)
5.1	<u>Opinion of Cooley LLP.</u>
10.1(6)+	<u>Amended and Restated Stock Incentive Plan of Vical Incorporated.</u>
10.2(7)+	<u>Form of Indemnity Agreement between the Company and its directors and officers.</u>
10.3(8)+	<u>Vical Incorporated Non-Employee Director Compensation Policy.</u>
10.4(9)+	<u>Form of Delayed Issuance Stock Purchase Election Agreement, as amended, under the Amended and Restated Stock Incentive Plan (with deferral election).</u>
10.5(10)+	<u>Form of Delayed Issuance Stock Purchase Election Agreement, as amended, under the Amended and Restated Stock Incentive Plan.</u>
10.6(11)+	<u>Restated employment letter dated January 9, 2009, between the Company and Vijay B. Samant.</u>
10.7(12)+	<u>Employment Agreement dated January 14, 2005, between the Company and Anthony A. Ramos.</u>
10.8(13)+	<u>Severance Agreement dated January 23, 2015, between the Company and Anthony A. Ramos.</u>
10.9(14)+	<u>Employment Agreement dated August 25, 2003, between the Company and Larry Smith.</u>
10.10(15)+	<u>Severance Agreement dated January 23, 2015, between the Company and Larry Smith.</u>
10.11(16)*	<u>U.S. License Agreement dated July 12, 2011, between the Company and Astellas Pharma Inc.</u>

- 10.12(17)* Ex-U.S. License Agreement dated July 12, 2011, between the Company and Astellas Pharma Inc.
- 10.13(18)* Supply and Services Agreement dated July 12, 2011, between the Company and Astellas Pharma Inc.
- 10.14(19) Letter agreement dated July 12, 2011, related to the U.S. License Agreement dated July 12, 2011, between the Company and Astellas Pharma Inc.
- 10.15(20)* 1st Amendment dated August 6, 2012, to U.S. License Agreement Between Vical Incorporated and Astellas Pharma Inc.
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- 10.16(21)* 1st Amendment dated August 6, 2012, to Ex-U.S. License Agreement Between Vical Incorporated and Astellas Pharma Inc.
- 10.17(22)* 1st Amendment dated August 6, 2012, to Supply and Services Agreement Between Vical Incorporated and Astellas Pharma Inc.
- 10.18(23)* License Agreement dated March 24, 2015, between the Company and Astellas Pharma Inc.
- 10.19(24)* Amendment No. 1 dated August 31, 2015, to License Agreement dated March 25, 2015, between the Company and Astellas Pharma Inc.
- 10.20(25)* License Agreement dated December 7, 2001, between the Company and CytRx Corporation.
- 10.21(26) Letter Agreement dated July 5, 2011, related to the License Agreement dated December 7, 2001, between the Company and CytRx Corporation.
- 10.24(27) Lease dated January 30, 2002, between the Company and Kilroy Realty, L.P. a Delaware Limited Partnership.
- 10.25(28) First Amendment dated July 15, 2016, to Lease dated January 30, 2002, between the Company and Kilroy Realty, L.P. a Delaware Limited Partnership.
- 10.26(29) Stock Purchase Agreement dated August 1, 2016, between the Company and AnGes MG, Inc.
- 10.27(30) At-the-Market Issuance Sales Agreement, dated October 13, 2016, by and between the Company and IFS Securities, Inc. (doing business as BP, a division of IFS Securities, Inc.).
- 23.1 Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.
- 23.2 Consent of Cooley LLP (reference is made to Exhibit 5.1).
- 24.1† Powers of Attorney.

+ Indicates management contract or compensatory plan

* The Registrant has obtained confidential treatment with respect to certain portions of this exhibit

† Previously filed

(P) Paper exhibit

(1) Incorporated by reference to the exhibit of the same number filed with the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-3 (No. 33-95812) filed on August 15, 1995.

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Incorporated by reference to the exhibit of the same number filed with the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2010.

- (3) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-8 (No. 333-135266) filed on June 23, 2006.
 - (4) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 25, 2016.
 - (5) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on June 1, 2017.
 - (6) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on June 1, 2017.
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- (7) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2002.
 - (8) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2014.
 - (9) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.58 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009.
 - (10) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.59 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009.
 - (11) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on January 15, 2009.
 - (12) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.7 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013.
 - (13) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.8 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014.
 - (14) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.11 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013.
 - (15) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.12 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014.
 - (16) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2011.
 - (17) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2011.
 - (18) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2011.
 - (19) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.4 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on January 5, 2012.
 - (20) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2012.
 - (21) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2012.
 - (22) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.5 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2012.
 - (23) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2015.
 - (24) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2015.
 - (25) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99 to CytRx Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on December 21, 2001.
 - (26) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on January 5, 2012.
 - (27) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.27 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001.
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(28) Incorporated by reference to the Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-

Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2016.

(29) Incorporated by reference to the Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2016.

(30) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on October 17, 2016.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, the Registrant has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of San Diego, California, on the 30th day of October, 2017.

Vical Incorporated
 By: /s/ Vijay B. Samant
 Vijay B. Samant
 President and Chief Executive Officer

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints Vijay B. Samant and Anthony A. Ramos, and each of them, as his or her true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, each with the full power of substitution, for him or her and in his or her name, place or stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments to this registration statement (including post-effective amendments), 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, and all post-effective amendments thereto, and to file the same, with exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as he or she might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents, or their substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

SIGNATURE	TITLE	DATE
/s/ Vijay B. Samant Vijay B. Samant	President, Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	October 30, 2017
/s/ Anthony A. Ramos Anthony A. Ramos	Vice President, Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)	October 30, 2017
/s/ R. Gordon Douglas, M.D.* R. Gordon Douglas, M.D.	Chairman of the Board of Directors	October 30, 2017
/s/ Richard M. Beleson Richard M. Beleson	Director	October 30, 2017
/s/ Gary A. Lyons* Gary A. Lyons	Director	October 30, 2017
/s/ Robert C. Merton, Ph.D.* Robert C. Merton, Ph.D.	Director	October 30, 2017

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/s/ George J. Morrow
George J. Morrow

Director

October 30, 2017

/s/ Thomas E. Shenk, Ph.D.*
Thomas E. Shenk, Ph.D.

Director

October 30, 2017

*Pursuant to power of attorney

By: /s/ Vijay B. Samant
Vijay B. Samant