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

SCHEDULE 14A
**Proxy Statement Pursuant to Section 14(a) of the
Securities Exchange Act of 1934**
(Amendment No.)

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AKEBIA THERAPEUTICS, INC.

(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)

n/a

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Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Stockholder Meeting to be Held on June 17, 2026.



AKEBIA THERAPEUTICS, INC.
245 FIRST STREET
CAMBRIDGE, MA 02142

Your **Vote** Counts!

AKEBIA THERAPEUTICS, INC.

2026 Annual Meeting

June 17, 2026 10:00 AM ET

Virtual Meeting Site:

www.virtualshareholdermeeting.com/AKBA2026



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You invested in AKEBIA THERAPEUTICS, INC. and it's time to vote!

You have the right to vote on proposals being presented at the Annual Meeting.

Get informed before you vote

View the Notice, Proxy Statement and Annual Report online OR you can receive a free paper or email copy of the material(s) by requesting prior to June 3, 2026. If you would like to request a copy of the material(s) for this and/or future stockholder meetings, you may (1) visit www.ProxyVote.com, (2) call 1-800-579-1639 or (3) send an email to sendmaterial@proxyvote.com. If sending an email, please include your control number (indicated below) in the subject line. Unless requested, you will not otherwise receive a paper or email copy.



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Vote in Advance of the Meeting

Vote by June 16, 2026 11:59 PM ET

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June 17, 2026
10:00 AM ET

Virtually at:

www.virtualshareholdermeeting.com/AKBA2026

*Please check the meeting materials for any special requirements for meeting attendance.

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This is an overview of the proposals being presented at the upcoming stockholder meeting. We encourage you to access and review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials before voting. Please follow the instructions on the reverse side to vote these important matters.

Voting Items	Board Recommends
1. Election of three Class III Directors to serve until the Company's 2029 Annual Meeting of Stockholders and until their successors are duly elected and qualified, subject to their earlier death, resignation or removal. Nominees: 01) Adrian Adams 02) Michael Rogers 03) LeAnne M. Zumwalt	✔ For
2. Approval of an amendment to the Company's Ninth Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation to increase the number of authorized shares of capital stock from 375,000,000 to 525,000,000 and to increase the number of authorized shares of common stock from 350,000,000 to 500,000,000.	✔ For
3. Approval, on an advisory basis, of the compensation of the Company's named executive officers, as described in the Company's Proxy Statement.	✔ For
4. Approval, on an advisory basis, of the frequency of the advisory vote on executive compensation.	1 Year
5. Ratification of the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2026.	✔ For

NOTE: The proxies are authorized to vote, in their discretion, upon such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof.

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