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**PROSPECTUS** 

\$100,000,000

**Common Stock** 

**Preferred Stock** 

**Debt Securities** 

**Depositary Shares** 

Warrants

**Subscription Rights** 

Units

From time to time, we may offer and sell up to \$100,000,000 of the securities described in this prospectus separately or together in any combination, in one or more classes or series, in amounts, at prices and on terms that we will determine at the time of the offering.

This prospectus may not be used to sell securities unless accompanied by a prospectus supplement, which will describe the method and specific terms of the offering, including the amount, price and terms of the applicable offered securities. You should carefully read this prospectus, the information incorporated by reference in this prospectus, the prospectus supplement, including any information incorporated by reference in such prospectus supplement, and any free writing prospectus before you purchase any of the securities offered hereby.

These securities may be offered and sold in the same offering or in separate offerings, to or through underwriters, dealers or agents or directly to purchasers. The names of any underwriters, dealers or agents involved in the sale of our

securities, their compensation and any over-allotment options held by them will be described in the applicable prospectus supplement. See Plan of Distribution.

Our common stock is listed on The Nasdaq Global Market under the symbol OMER. On April 21, 2016, the closing price of our common stock was \$13.69 per share.

Investing in our securities involves significant risks. Before buying our securities, you should carefully consider the risks described under the caption <u>Risk Factors</u> beginning on page 3 of this prospectus, in the documents incorporated by reference into this prospectus, and in the applicable prospectus supplement.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The date of this prospectus is April 22, 2016.

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## **ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS**

This prospectus is part of a registration statement on Form S-3 that we filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC, using a shelf registration process. Under this shelf process, we may, from time to time, offer or sell any combination of the securities described in this prospectus in one or more offerings up to a total amount of \$100,000,000.

This prospectus only provides you with a general description of the securities that we may offer. Each time we sell securities pursuant to this prospectus, we will describe in a prospectus supplement, which will be delivered with this prospectus, specific information about the offering and the terms of the particular securities offered. The prospectus supplement may also add, update or change the information contained in this prospectus. Before purchasing any securities, you should carefully read both this prospectus and the accompanying prospectus supplement and any free writing prospectus prepared by or on behalf of us, together with the additional information described under Where You Can Find More Information.

This prospectus does not contain all of the information included in the registration statement. For a more complete understanding of the offering of the securities, you should refer to the registration statement, including its exhibits. Those exhibits may be filed with the registration statement or may be incorporated by reference to earlier SEC filings listed in the registration statement or in subsequent filings that we may make under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, or Exchange Act.

You should rely only on the information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus, the accompanying prospectus supplement or any free writing prospectus that we have prepared which relates to a particular offering. We have not authorized anyone else to provide you with different or additional information. If anyone provides you with different or additional information, you should not rely on it. We are not making an offer to sell or soliciting an offer to buy these securities under any circumstance in any jurisdiction where the offer or solicitation is not permitted. You should assume that the information contained in this prospectus, any prospectus supplement or any free writing prospectus that we have prepared is accurate only as of the date of the respective document in which the information appears, and that any information in documents that we have incorporated by reference is accurate only as of the date of the document incorporated by reference, regardless of the time of delivery of this prospectus or any prospectus supplement or any sale of a security. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may have changed since those dates.

This prospectus, any prospectus supplement and the information incorporated herein and therein by reference includes trademarks, service marks and trade names owned by us or other companies. All trademarks, service marks and trade names included or incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus are the property of their respective owners.

Unless the context indicates otherwise, in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus the terms company, Omeros, we, us, and our refer to Omeros Corporation, a Washington corporation, and its subsidiaries consolidated basis.

#### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus, each prospectus supplement and the information incorporated by reference in this prospectus and each prospectus supplement contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, or the Securities Act, and Section 21E of the Exchange Act, which are subject to the safe harbor created by those sections for such statements. Forward-looking statements are based on our management s beliefs and assumptions and on information currently available to our management. All statements other than statements of historical fact are forward-looking statements. Terms such as anticipate, believe, could, estimate. expect, goal, potential, predict, project, should, will, would and similar expressions and variations thereof plan, may, identify forward-looking statements, but these terms are not the exclusive means of identifying such statements. Those statements appear in this prospectus, any accompanying prospectus supplement and the documents incorporated herein and therein by reference, particularly in the sections entitled Prospectus Summary and Risk Factors, and include statements regarding the intent, belief or current expectations of us and our management that are subject to known and unknown risks, uncertainties and assumptions. Examples of forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements regarding:

our plans for sales, marketing and distribution of OMIDRIA® (phenylephrine and ketorolac injection) 1%/0.3%;

our expectations regarding our product sales and our estimate regarding how long our existing cash, cash equivalents, short-term investments and revenues will be sufficient to fund our anticipated operating expenses, capital expenditures and interest and principal payments on our outstanding notes under our Loan and Security Agreement with Oxford Finance LLC and East West Bank;

our ability to raise additional capital through the capital markets, including under our at-the-market equity facility with JonesTrading Institutional Services LLC or through one or more corporate partnerships, equity offerings, debt financings, collaborations, licensing arrangements or asset sales;

our ability to forecast accurately wholesaler demand as well as our estimates of chargebacks and rebates, distribution fees and estimated product returns;

our ability to enter into acceptable arrangements with potential corporate partners, including with respect to OMIDRIA;

our expectations regarding the clinical, therapeutic and competitive benefits of OMIDRIA and our product candidates;

our anticipation that we will rely on contract manufacturers to manufacture OMIDRIA for commercial sale and to manufacture our product candidates and our expectations regarding product supply and manufacturing of OMIDRIA;

our expectations about the commercial competition that OMIDRIA and our product candidates, if commercialized, may face;

our expectation that the OMIDRIAssure Reimbursement Services Program will increase patient access to OMIDRIA;

our expectations regarding cost impacts resulting from hiring sales representatives from Ventiv Commercial Services, LLC;

the extent of protection that our patents provide and that our pending patent applications will provide, if patents issue from such applications, for our technologies, programs, products and product candidates;

whether the dosing limitations in our OMS824 program may be removed;

our ability to design and successfully complete clinical trials and other studies for our products and product candidates and our plans and expectations regarding our clinical trials, including our clinical trials for OMS721 and OMS824;

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the expected course and costs of existing claims, legal proceedings and administrative actions, our involvement in potential claims, legal proceedings and administrative actions, and the potential outcomes and effects of both existing and potential claims, legal proceedings and administrative actions, as well as regulatory determinations, on our business, prospects, financial condition and results of operations;

our expectations regarding our OMS103 exclusive license agreement including, without limitation, manufacturing and commercialization of OMS103 and the commencement and subsequent continuation of product sales on which we could receive royalty revenue; and

our expected financial position, performance, revenues, growth, expenses, magnitude of net losses and the availability of resources.

Our actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements for many reasons, including the risks, uncertainties and other factors described in our filings with the SEC. Given these risks, uncertainties and other factors, actual results or developments anticipated may not be realized or, even if substantially realized, they may not have the expected consequences to or effects on our company, business or operations. Accordingly, you should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which represent our estimates and assumptions only as of the date they are made. The events and circumstances reflected in the forward-looking statements may not be achieved or occur and actual results could differ materially from those projected in the forward-looking statements. Except as required by law, we assume no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements contained in this prospectus, the accompanying prospectus supplement or any information incorporated by reference herein or therein, whether as a result of any new information, future events or otherwise.

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#### **ABOUT OMEROS**

We are a biopharmaceutical company committed to discovering, developing and commercializing both small-molecule and protein therapeutics for large-market as well as orphan indications targeting inflammation, coagulopathies and disorders of the central nervous system. Our marketed drug product OMIDRIA is currently being sold in the U.S. for use during cataract surgery or intraocular lens replacement. OMIDRIA is derived from our proprietary PharmacoSurgery® platform, which is designed to improve clinical outcomes of patients undergoing ophthalmological, arthroscopic, urological and other surgical procedures. Our proprietary PharmacoSurgery platform is based on low-dose combinations of U.S. Food and Drug Administration-approved therapeutic agents delivered directly to the surgical site throughout the duration of the procedure to inhibit preemptively inflammation and other problems caused by surgical trauma and to provide clinical benefits both during and after surgery. We also have five clinical-stage development programs in our pipeline, which include a diverse group of preclinical programs as well as two additional platforms: one capable of unlocking new G protein-coupled receptor drug targets and the other used to generate antibodies.

We were incorporated in the State of Washington in 1994. Our principal executive offices are located at 201 Elliott Avenue West, Seattle, Washington 98119, and our telephone number is (206) 676-5000. Our website address is www.omeros.com. The information on, or that can be accessed through, our website is not part of this prospectus.

#### WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. Our SEC filings are available to the public over the Internet at the SEC s website at www.sec.gov. You may also read and copy any document we file at the SEC s Public Reference Room at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the Public Reference Room. Our Annual Report on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, and Current Reports on Form 8-K, including any amendments to those reports, and other information that we file with or furnish to the SEC pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act can also be accessed free of charge by linking directly from our website at www.omeros.com under Investor Financial Information SEC Filings. These filings will be available as soon as reasonably practicable after we electronically file such material with, or furnish it to, the SEC.

We have filed with the SEC a registration statement under the Securities Act relating to the offering of these securities. The registration statement, including the attached exhibits, contains additional relevant information about us and the securities. This prospectus does not contain all of the information set forth in the registration statement. You can obtain a copy of the registration statement, at prescribed rates, from the SEC at the address listed above. The registration statement and the documents referred to below under Incorporation by Reference are also available on our Internet website, www.omeros.com. We have not incorporated by reference into this prospectus the information on, or that can be accessed through, our website, and you should not consider it to be a part of this prospectus.

#### INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE

The SEC allows us to incorporate by reference the information 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 an important part of this prospectus, and information that we file later with the SEC will automatically update and supersede this information. The following documents that we have previously filed with the SEC (File No. 001-34475) are incorporated by reference herein:

our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015, filed with the SEC on March 15, 2016; and

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our Current Reports on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on January 6, 2016 and January 19, 2016 (excluding all information furnished in such reports under Item 2.02, Item 7.01 or Item 9.01).

All reports and other documents that we subsequently file pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act prior to the completion of the sales of the securities offered hereby but excluding any information furnished to, rather than filed with, the SEC, will also be incorporated by reference into this prospectus and deemed to be part of this prospectus from the date of the filing of such reports and documents.

This prospectus, as supplemented, may contain information that updates, modifies or is contrary to information in one or more of the documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus. You should rely only on the information incorporated by reference or provided in this prospectus, the accompanying prospectus supplement or any free writing prospectus that we have prepared that relates to a particular offering. We have not authorized anyone else to provide you with different or additional information. You should not assume that the information in this prospectus is accurate as of any date other than the date of this prospectus or the date of the documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus.

We will provide without charge to each person, including any beneficial owner, to whom this prospectus is delivered, upon written or oral request, a copy of any or all documents that are incorporated by reference into this prospectus, but not delivered with the prospectus, other than exhibits to such documents unless such exhibits are specifically incorporated by reference into the documents that this prospectus incorporates. You should direct written requests to: Omeros Corporation, Attn: Legal Department, 201 Elliott Avenue West, Seattle, Washington 98119, or you may call us at (206) 676-5000.

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## **RISK FACTORS**

An investment in our securities involves a high degree of risk. The prospectus supplement applicable to each offering of our securities will contain a discussion of the risks applicable to an investment in our securities. Before deciding whether to invest in our securities, you should consider carefully the risks described under the heading Risk Factors in the applicable prospectus supplement and in any of our filings with the SEC that are incorporated by reference therein.

#### RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES

To date, the amount of our fixed charges has exceeded our earnings. The following table sets forth our deficiency of earnings available to cover fixed charges for each year in the five-year period ended December 31, 2015. This information should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes incorporated by reference into this prospectus.

	Year Ended December 31,				
	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	(in thousands)				
Deficiency of earnings available to cover fixed					
charges	\$ 75,096	\$73,673	\$39,796	\$ 38,444	\$ 28,546

The deficiency of earnings available to cover fixed charges has been computed on a consolidated basis. Earnings consist of loss from continuing operations before income taxes, plus fixed charges and amortization of capitalized interest. Fixed charges consist of interest expensed and capitalized, amortization of premiums, discounts and capitalized expenses related to debt and an estimate of the interest component of rent expense.

As of the date of this prospectus, we have no shares of preferred stock outstanding and, consequently, our ratio of combined fixed charges and preference dividends to earnings is the same as our deficiency of earnings available to cover fixed charges as disclosed above.

## **USE OF PROCEEDS**

Unless otherwise indicated in the prospectus supplement, we intend to use the net proceeds from the sale of securities offered under this prospectus for general corporate purposes including expenses related to the continued commercialization of OMIDRIA, research and development expenses such as funding clinical trials, pre-clinical studies, manufacturing development and costs associated with otherwise advancing our drug candidates toward New Drug Application and Biologic License Application submissions. We may also use the net proceeds for working capital, the repayment of debt obligations, acquisitions or investments in businesses, products or technologies that are complementary to our own, and other capital expenditures. We will set forth in the prospectus supplement our intended use for the net proceeds received from the sale of any securities. Pending the use of such proceeds, we intend to invest the net proceeds in short-term, investment grade, interest-bearing instruments.

#### DESCRIPTION OF COMMON STOCK

We may issue, separately or together with, or upon conversion, exercise or exchange of other securities, common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, as set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement. The following summary of our common stock does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and is qualified in its entirety by reference to, our Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation, or Articles of Incorporation, Amended and Restated Bylaws, or Bylaws, and applicable provisions of the Washington Business Corporation Act, or WBCA. Therefore, you should carefully consider the actual provisions of our Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws as well as relevant portions of the WBCA.

## **Authorized and Outstanding Shares**

Our authorized capital stock consists of (i) 150,000,000 shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, and (ii) 20,000,000 shares of preferred stock, par value \$0.01 per share. As of March 31, 2016, 39,119,154 shares of common stock were outstanding and no shares of preferred stock were outstanding. All outstanding shares of common stock are fully paid and nonassessable.

## **Dividend Rights**

Subject to preferences that may be applicable to any outstanding shares of preferred stock, holders of common stock are entitled to receive ratably such dividends as may be declared by the board of directors out of funds legally available therefor.

#### **Voting Rights and Cumulative Voting**

The holders of our common stock are entitled to one vote per share on all matters to be voted on by the shareholders. Our Articles of Incorporation provide that shareholders are not entitled to cumulate votes in the election of directors.

## Preemptive Rights; Redemption or Sinking Fund

Holders of common stock have no preemptive, conversion or subscription rights. There are no redemption or sinking fund provisions applicable to our common stock.

## **Liquidation Rights**

If we liquidate, dissolve or wind up, holders of our common stock are entitled to share ratably in all assets remaining after payment of liabilities and the liquidation preferences of any outstanding shares of preferred stock.

## Listing; Transfer Agent and Registrar

Our common stock is listed on The Nasdaq Global Market under the symbol OMER. The transfer agent and registrar for our common stock is Computershare Inc. Its address is P.O. Box 43006, Providence, Rhode Island 02940-3006 and its telephone number is 1-866-282-4938.

## Anti-Takeover Effects of Washington Law and our Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws

Certain provisions of Washington law, our Articles of Incorporation and our Bylaws contain provisions that may delay, defer or discourage another party from acquiring control of us. These provisions, which are summarized below,

are expected to discourage coercive takeover practices and inadequate takeover bids. These provisions are also designed, in part, to encourage persons seeking to acquire control of us to first negotiate with

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our board of directors. We believe that the benefits of increased protection of our potential ability to negotiate with an unfriendly or unsolicited acquiror outweigh the disadvantages of discouraging a proposal to acquire us because negotiation of these proposals could result in an improvement of their terms.

Washington Anti-Takeover Statute

Chapter 23B.19 of the Washington Business Corporation Act, with limited exceptions, prohibits a target corporation from engaging in specified significant business transactions for a period of five years after the share acquisition by an acquiring person, unless (a) the significant business transaction or the acquiring person is purchase of shares was approved by a majority of the members of the target corporation is board of directors prior to the acquiring person is share acquisition or (b) the significant business transaction was both approved by the majority of the members of the target corporation is board and authorized at a shareholder meeting by at least two-thirds of the outstanding voting shares (excluding the acquiring person is share sover which the acquiring person has voting control) at or subsequent to the acquiring person is share acquisition. An acquiring person is defined as a person or group of persons that beneficially owns 10% or more of the voting securities of the target corporation. Significant business transactions include, among other transactions:

mergers, share exchanges or consolidations with, dispositions of assets to, or issuances of stock to or redemptions of stock from, the acquiring person;

termination of 5% or more of the employees of the target corporation employed in Washington over a five-year period as a result of the acquiring person s acquisition of 10% or more of the shares;

allowing the acquiring person to receive any disproportionate benefit as a shareholder; and

liquidating or dissolving the target corporation.

After the five-year period, significant business transactions are permitted, as long as they comply with the fair price provisions of the statute or are approved by a majority of the outstanding shares other than those of which the acquiring person has beneficial ownership. A corporation may not opt out of this statute. This statute could prohibit or delay the accomplishment of mergers or other takeover or change in control attempts with respect to us and, accordingly, may discourage attempts to acquire us.

Amendment of Bylaws

Our Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws provide that shareholders can amend or repeal our Bylaws only upon the affirmative vote of the holders of our voting stock.

Undesignated Preferred Stock

As discussed below, our board of directors has the ability to issue preferred stock with voting or other rights or preferences that could impede the success of any attempt to effect a change of control. These and other provisions may have the effect of deferring hostile takeovers or delaying changes in control or management.

Limits on Ability of Shareholders to Act by Written Consent or Call a Special Meeting

Washington law limits the ability of shareholders of public companies from acting by written consent by requiring unanimous written consent for a shareholder action to be effective. This limit on the ability of our shareholders to act by less than unanimous written consent may lengthen the amount of time required to take shareholder actions. As a result, a holder controlling a majority of our capital stock who is unable to obtain unanimous written consent from all of our shareholders would not be able to amend our Bylaws or remove directors without holding a shareholders meeting.

In addition, our Articles of Incorporation provide that, unless otherwise required by law, special meetings of the shareholders may be called only by the chairman of the board, the chief executive officer, the president, or the board of directors acting pursuant to a resolution adopted by a majority of the board members. A shareholder may not call a special meeting, which may delay the ability of our shareholders to force consideration of a proposal or for holders controlling a majority of our capital stock to take any action, including the removal of directors.

Requirements for Advance Notification of Shareholder Nominations and Proposals