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

FORM 8-K

**CURRENT REPORT
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): August 10, 2015

Aduro Biotech, Inc.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-37345
(Commission
File Number)

94-3348934
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

626 Bancroft Way, 3C
Berkeley, California
(Address of principal executive offices)

94710
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (510) 848-4400

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligations of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
 - Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On August 10, 2015, Aduro Biotech, Inc. (“Aduro”) announced its financial results for the second quarter ended June 30, 2015. The full text of the press release issued in connection with the announcement is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The information in Item 2.02 of this Form 8-K (including Exhibit 99.1) shall not be deemed “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing, regardless of any general incorporation language in any such filing, unless Aduro expressly sets forth in such filing that such information is to be considered “filed” or incorporated by reference therein.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**(d) Exhibits**

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press Release, dated August 10, 2015, titled “Aduro Biotech Announces Second Quarter 2015 Financial Results”

SIGNATURES

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

Dated: August 10, 2015

Aduro Biotech, Inc.

By: /s/ Jennifer Lew
Jennifer Lew
Senior Vice President of Finance

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Aduro Biotech Announces Second Quarter 2015 Financial Results

Positive momentum and progress on clinical trials continue; well positioned for key near-term milestones

BERKELEY, Calif., August 10, 2015 – Aduro Biotech, Inc. (NASDAQ: ADRO) today reported financial results for the second quarter ended June 30, 2015. Net loss was \$26.3 million for the second quarter of 2015, or \$0.50 per share, and \$42.9 million, or \$1.61 per share, for the six months ended June 30, 2015, compared to net loss of \$3.6 million, or \$12.27 per share, and \$11.4 million, or \$38.61 per share respectively, for the same periods in 2014.

Cash and cash equivalents totaled \$465.9 million at June 30, 2015, compared to \$119.5 million at December 31, 2014. Total cash at June 30, 2015 included a \$200.0 million upfront payment from Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation under the companies' collaboration agreement, \$124.2 million in net proceeds from Aduro's initial public offering and an additional \$25.0 million from a private placement to Novartis concurrent with the company's IPO.

"We are making significant progress in our existing oncology programs driven by our in-house research and development teams and in collaboration with our academic and corporate partners, including Novartis and Janssen, and believe there is tremendous potential to explore new indications with our immunotherapy platform technologies," said Stephen T. Isaacs, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Aduro. "We look forward to completing enrollment in our Phase 2b ECLIPSE trial in pancreatic cancer and initiating trials in prostate and lung cancers, as well as multiple other cancers, with immunotherapeutic agents derived from our platforms. In addition, based on continued encouraging data from our Phase 1b trial and following recent meetings with U.S. and European regulatory authorities, we are now planning to advance our mesothelioma program into a randomized global Phase 3 clinical trial next year."

[Recent Progress](#)

- Follow up of the seven long-term survivors in Phase 2a pancreatic cancer trial continues, with two patients continuing to receive the combination regimen of CRS-207 and GVAX Pancreas for almost three years
- Completed patient enrollment in the Phase 1b mesothelioma trial evaluating the combination of CRS-207 and standard chemotherapy
- Presented updated data from Phase 1b mesothelioma trial at the 2015 American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) Meeting demonstrating 94% disease control following treatment with CRS-207 and standard chemotherapy
- Conducted meetings with the U.S. FDA and Paul-Ehrlich-Institut to discuss Phase 3 plans for mesothelioma program
- Published notable preclinical results for the STING-targeted CDN immuno-oncology platform in *Science and Translational Medicine* and *Cell Reports*

Key Upcoming Milestones

- Complete enrollment in Phase 2b ECLIPSE trial in pancreatic cancer in the third quarter of 2015 and report top line results in the first half of 2016
- Report top line results from the Phase 1b trial in mesothelioma in the first half of 2016
- Complete enrollment in Phase 2 STELLAR trial in pancreatic cancer in the first quarter of 2016 and report interim results in the second half of 2016
- Initiate randomized Phase 3 trial in mesothelioma in the first half of 2016
- Initiate Phase 1 trials in lung and prostate cancer with novel LADD agents in collaboration with Janssen in the first quarter of 2016
- Initiate Phase 1 trial in cutaneously accessible tumors with novel CDNs in collaboration with Novartis in the first half of 2016

Revenues were \$9.9 million for the second quarter of 2015 and \$19.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015, compared to \$1.0 million for each of the three and six months ended June 30, 2014. The increase was primarily due to recognition of a portion of the upfront fees and development-related milestones achieved under the Janssen agreements.

Research and development expenses were \$13.5 million for the second quarter of 2015 and \$24.2 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015, compared to \$5.4 million and \$10.1 million, respectively, for the same periods in 2014. This increase was primarily due to clinical and manufacturing expenses related to the Phase 2b ECLIPSE clinical trial of CRS-207/GVAX Pancreas immunotherapy in pancreatic cancer, licensing fees and compensation costs due to continued growth in the number of personnel.

General and administrative expenses were \$5.9 million for the second quarter of 2015 and \$12.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015, compared to \$2.1 million and \$3.5 million, respectively, for the same

periods in 2014. This increase was primarily due to increased personnel expenses to support the company's expanding operations.

Loss from remeasurement of fair value of warrants was \$16.7 million for the second quarter of 2015 and \$26.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015, due to changes in the fair value of liability-classified warrants to purchase Aduro's preferred and common stock. In April 2015, all such warrants ceased being liability-classified as the contingency surrounding the number of shares issuable upon the warrant exercise expired. As of June 30, 2015, all outstanding warrants were equity-classified and not subject to remeasurement.

About Aduro

Aduro Biotech, Inc. is a clinical-stage immuno-oncology company focused on the development of technology platforms to stimulate an immune response against cancer. Aduro's lead platform is based on proprietary strains of live-attenuated, double-deleted (LADD) *Listeria monocytogenes* that induce a potent innate immune response and have been engineered to express tumor-associated antigens to induce tumor-specific T cell-mediated immunity. Aduro has received Breakthrough Therapy designation from the FDA for its lead LADD regimen, CRS-207 in combination with GVAX Pancreas in pancreatic cancer. The company is evaluating the proprietary immuno-oncology combination in the ongoing Phase 2b ECLIPSE clinical trial and has additional ongoing clinical trials with its LADD platform in mesothelioma and glioblastoma. The company is also developing clinical candidates using cyclic dinucleotide (CDN) synthetic small molecule immune modulators that are designed to activate the intracellular STING receptor, a central mediator of the innate immune response. For more information, please visit www.aduro.com.

Cautionary Note on Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains forward-looking statements for purposes of the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements include statements regarding our intentions or current expectations concerning, among other things, the potential for our technology, plans and timing of our clinical trials and the potential for eventual regulatory approval of our product candidates. In some cases you can identify these statements by forward-looking words such as "believe," "may," "will," "estimate," "continue," "anticipate," "intend," "could," "would," "project," "plan," "expect" or the negative or plural of these words or similar expressions. Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results and events to differ materially from those anticipated, including, but not limited to, our history of net operating losses and uncertainty regarding our ability to achieve profitability, our ability to develop and commercialize our product candidates, our ability to use and expand our technology platforms to build a pipeline of product candidates, our dependence on our lead product candidate, CRS-207, and GVAX Pancreas, our ability to obtain and maintain regulatory approval of our product candidates, our inability to

operate in a competitive industry and compete successfully against competitors that have greater resources than we do, our reliance on third parties, and our ability to obtain and adequately protect intellectual property rights for our product candidates. We discuss many of these risks in greater detail under the heading "Risk Factors" contained in our quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2015 to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance, and our actual results of operations, financial condition and liquidity, and the development of the industry in which we operate, may differ materially from the forward-looking statements contained in this press release. Any forward-looking statements that we make in this press release speak only as of the date of this press release. We assume no obligation to update our forward-looking statements whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, after the date of this press release.

ADURO BIOTECH, INC.
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations
(In thousands, except share and per share amounts)
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2015	2014	2015	2014
Revenue:				
Collaboration and license revenue	\$ 9,623	\$ 883	\$ 18,861	\$ —
Grant revenue	260	102	596	—
Total revenue	9,883	985	19,457	—
Operating expenses:				
Research and development	13,533	5,403	24,179	—
General and administrative	5,882	2,134	12,092	—
Total operating expenses	19,415	7,537	36,271	—
Loss from operations	(9,532)	(6,552)	(16,814)	—
(Loss) Gain from remeasurement of fair value of warrants	(16,735)	25	(26,077)	—
Gain on extinguishment of convertible promissory notes	—	3,553	—	—
Interest expense	—	(996)	—	—
Other income, net	7	344	15	—
Net loss	\$ (26,260)	\$ (3,626)	\$ (42,876)	\$ —
Net loss per common share, basic and diluted	\$ (0.50)	\$ (12.27)	\$ (1.61)	\$ —
Weighted average common shares outstanding, basic and diluted	52,653,344	295,498	26,678,848	—

ADURO BIOTECH, INC.
Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets
(In thousands)
(Unaudited)

June 30, 2015

Assets	
Current assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 465,867
Other current assets	3,729
Total current assets	469,596
Other assets	2,955
Total assets	\$ 472,551
Liabilities, Convertible Preferred Stock and Stockholders' Equity (Deficit)	
Current liabilities:	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 14,109
Deferred revenue	17,754
Total current liabilities	31,863
Deferred consideration from Novartis collaboration	200,000
Deferred revenue	—
Other non-current liabilities	—
Total liabilities	231,863
Convertible preferred stock	—
Total stockholders' equity (deficit)	240,688
Total liabilities, convertible preferred stock and stockholders' equity (deficit)	\$ 472,551

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