
**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): May 7, 2019

OVID THERAPEUTICS INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

001-38085

(Commission File Number)

46-5270895
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

1460 Broadway, Suite 15044
New York, New York
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

10036
(Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: 646-661-7661

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instructions A.2. below):

- 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))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§ 230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§ 240.12b-2 of this chapter).

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 pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

| Title of each class | Trading Symbol(s) | Name of each exchange on which registered |
|---------------------|----------------------|---|
| Common Stock | OVID | NASDAQ |

Item 2.02.**Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On May 7, 2019, Ovid Therapeutics Inc. (the “Company”) issued a press release announcing its financial results for the first quarter ended March 31, 2019. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information provided in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including the information contained in the press release furnished as Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, and shall not be deemed incorporated by reference into any of the Company’s filings under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, whether made before or after the date hereof, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibit

| Exhibit No. | Description |
|--------------------|--|
| 99.1 | Press Release, dated May 7, 2019 |

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.

OVID THERAPEUTICS INC.

By: /s/ Thomas M. Perone
Thomas M. Perone
General Counsel & Corporate Secretary

Dated: May 7, 2019



Ovid Therapeutics Reports First Quarter 2019 Financial Results

Remains on track for all previously stated milestones expected throughout 2019

The STARS study selected as one of three abstracts featured at the 2019 AAN Top Science Press Conference

NEW YORK – May 07, 2019 - Ovid Therapeutics Inc. (NASDAQ: OVID), a biopharmaceutical company committed to developing medicines that transform the lives of people with rare neurological disorders, today reported financial results for the first quarter ended March 31, 2019.

“We continue to execute on all fronts,” said Jeremy Levin, DPhil, MB, BChir, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Ovid Therapeutics. “We completed an equity offering which was supported by Takeda and top-tier financial investors. Our development programs advanced according to plan and as a result 2019 will be an active and eventful period at Ovid, with multiple clinical milestones expected across the pipeline. Additionally, we are very proud that our successful Phase 2 STARS study in Angelman syndrome was selected as one of three programs featured at the 2019 American Academy of Neurology (AAN) Top Science Press Conference, held on May 5th. The selection of our data underscores the fact that STARS is the first industrial clinical trial to show positive clinical results in Angelman syndrome where there are currently no approved medicines. This gives hope to patients, is an important recognition for Ovid and advances the field of study in Angelman syndrome.”

Recent Progress and Upcoming Milestones

OV101 for Angelman Syndrome

- On May 7th, at the 71st annual meeting of the American Academy of Neurology (AAN) in Philadelphia, Ovid will present data from OV101 in adolescents and adults with Angelman syndrome (STARS study), as part of the Emerging Science program.
 - In addition, the STARS study abstract was selected by the Chair of the AAN Science Committee as one of three data presentations featured at the Top Science Press Conference, held on May 5th.
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- The open-label extension ELARA study for people with Angelman syndrome who previously completed a clinical trial with OV101 continues to enroll patients.
- The pivotal Phase 3 NEPTUNE trial in Angelman syndrome is expected to initiate with the first patient enrolling in 2H19.

OV101 for Fragile X Syndrome

- Also at the 71st annual meeting of the American Academy of Neurology, Ovid presented research on frameworks to assess outcomes in patients with Fragile X syndrome.
- The Phase 2 ROCKET trial continues to enroll patients and results are expected in 2H19.

OV935

- Ovid continues to enroll the open-label extension ENDYMION trial for people with DEE who previously completed a clinical trial with OV935.
- The open-label Phase 2 ARCADE trial in people with Dup15q syndrome or CDKL5 Deficiency Disorder continues to enroll and Ovid anticipates completion of enrollment in 2H19.
- The global, Phase 2 ELEKTRA trial in people with Dravet syndrome or Lennox-Gastaut syndrome continues to enroll.

Corporate

- The Company strengthened its management team with the appointment of pharmaceutical veteran, Thomas Perone, previously at Celgene, as Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary.
- To align expertise with the company's advancing clinical stage pipeline, Ovid made additional changes to its senior management, including the promotion of Amit Rakhit, M.D., MBA to the role of Head of R&D, on top of his current position as CMO.
- In February, Ovid raised net proceeds of approximately \$30.5 million in a public offering to further strengthen its balance sheet and to fund ongoing and anticipated development programs.

First Quarter March 31, 2019 Financial Results

- As of March 31, 2019, cash, cash equivalents, and short-term investments totaled \$59.6 million.
 - Research and development expenses were \$9.3 million for the first quarter ended March 31, 2019, as compared to \$8.5 million for the same period in 2018. The increase of \$0.8 million
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was primarily due to an increase in clinical activities related to the Company's ongoing development programs.

- General and administrative expenses were \$4.7 million for the first quarter ended March 31, 2019, as compared to \$5.0 million in 2018. The decrease of \$0.3 million was primarily due to an increase in payroll and payroll-related expenses of \$0.4 million offset by a decrease in professional fees and general office expenses of \$0.6 million.
- The Company reported a net loss of \$13.8 million, or basic and diluted net loss per share attributable to common stockholders of \$0.46, for the first quarter of 2019, as compared to a net loss of \$13.2 million, or net loss per share attributable to common stockholders of \$0.54, for the same period in 2018.

About Ovid Therapeutics

Ovid Therapeutics (NASDAQ: OVID) is a New York-based biopharmaceutical company using its BoldMedicine™ approach to develop medicines that transform the lives of patients with rare neurological disorders. Ovid has a broad pipeline of potential first-in-class medicines. The company's lead investigational medicine, OV101, is currently in development for the treatment of Angelman syndrome and Fragile X syndrome. Ovid is also developing OV935/TAK-935 in collaboration with Takeda Pharmaceutical Company Limited for the treatment of rare developmental and epileptic encephalopathies (DEE).

For more information on Ovid, please visit <http://www.ovidrx.com/>.

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release includes certain disclosures that contain "forward-looking statements," including, without limitation, statements regarding advancing Ovid's product candidates, progress, timing, scope and results of clinical trials for Ovid's product candidates, and the reporting of clinical data regarding Ovid's product candidates. You can identify forward-looking statements because they contain words such as "will," "believes" and "expects." Forward-looking statements are based on Ovid's current expectations and assumptions. Because forward-looking statements relate to the future, they are subject to inherent uncertainties, risks and changes in circumstances that may differ materially from those contemplated by the forward-looking statements, which are neither statements of historical fact nor guarantees or assurances of future performance. Important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements are set forth in Ovid's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the caption "Risk Factors". Ovid assumes no obligation to update any forward-looking statements contained herein to reflect any change in expectations, even as new information becomes available.

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations
(Unaudited)

| | <u>Three Months Ended March 31, 2019</u> | <u>Three Months Ended March 31, 2018</u> |
|---|--|--|
| Operating expenses: | | |
| Research and development | \$ 9,337,304 | \$ 8,474,557 |
| General and administrative | 4,716,231 | 4,955,307 |
| Total operating expenses | <u>14,053,535</u> | <u>13,429,864</u> |
| Loss from operations | (14,053,535) | (13,429,864) |
| Interest income | 253,340 | 247,106 |
| Net loss | <u>\$ (13,800,195)</u> | <u>\$ (13,182,758)</u> |
| Net loss attributable to common stockholders | <u>\$ (13,800,195)</u> | <u>\$ (13,182,758)</u> |
| Net loss per share attributable to common stockholders, basic and diluted | <u>\$ (0.46)</u> | <u>\$ (0.54)</u> |
| Weighted-average common shares outstanding basic and diluted | <u>30,329,640</u> | <u>24,609,050</u> |

Selected Condensed Balance Sheet Data
(Unaudited)

| | <u>March 31, 2019</u> | <u>December 31, 2018</u> |
|---|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| Cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments | \$ 59,640,781 | \$ 41,500,652 |
| Working capital ¹ | \$ 54,751,958 | \$ 35,423,690 |
| Total assets | \$ 66,655,592 | \$ 47,649,602 |
| Total stockholders' equity | <u>\$ 57,245,801</u> | <u>\$ 38,805,145</u> |

¹Working capital defined as current assets less current liabilities

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