

ZIOPHARM ONCOLOGY INC
Form 8-K
October 23, 2013

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): October 23, 2013

ZIOPHARM Oncology, Inc.
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

001-33038
(Commission
File Number)

84-1475672
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

1180 Avenue of the Americas

Suite 2020

New York, NY

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

10036

(Zip Code)

(646) 214-0700

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not applicable

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

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation 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)).

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

ZIOPHARM Oncology, Inc., or the Company, Mesoblast Limited and Intrexon Corporation issued a press release today announcing a partnership to develop a new class of cancer therapeutics.

A copy of the above referenced press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K. This information, 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, and is not incorporated by reference into any of the Company's filings, whether made before or after the date hereof, regardless of any general incorporation language in any such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) *Exhibits.*

Exhibit

| No. | Description |
|------------|---------------------------------------|
| 99.1 | Press Release, dated October 23, 2013 |

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.

ZIOPHARM Oncology, Inc.

By: /s/ Caesar Belbel

Name: Caesar Belbel

Title: Executive Vice President, Chief Legal Officer
and Secretary

Date: October 23, 2013

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