
**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): March 17, 2017

CYTOMX THERAPEUTICS, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

001-37587
(Commission File Number)

27-3521219
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

**151 Oyster Point Blvd.
Suite 400
South San Francisco, CA 94080**

(Address of principal executive offices, including Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (650) 515-3185

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

On March 17, 2017, CytomX Therapeutics, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the “Company”), entered into an Amendment to Extend Collaboration and License Agreement (the “Amendment”) with Bristol-Myers Squibb (“BMS”) to grant BMS exclusive worldwide rights to develop and commercialize Probody therapeutics for up to six additional oncology targets and two non-oncology targets. The Amendment is made to the Collaboration and License Agreement, dated May 23, 2014, between the Company and BMS (the “Original Agreement”). Under the Amendment, the Company will continue to collaborate with BMS to discover and conduct preclinical development of Probody therapeutics against targets selected by BMS under the terms of the Amendment.

The Amendment provides that the Company will receive an upfront payment from BMS of \$200,000,000 within 10 days of the effective date of the Amendment. In addition, the Amendment provides that BMS will make a total of up to \$116,000,000 in development and regulatory milestone payments for up to three indications for the first product in the first product modality for a target, a total of up to \$124,000,000 in milestone payments for the first commercial sale in various territories for up to three indications, and sales milestone payments of up to \$60,000,000 for the first product in the first modality. The Amendment also provides that BMS will make a total of up to \$56,250,000 in development and regulatory milestone payments for up to three indications for the first product in the second product modality for a target, a total of up to \$62,000,000 in milestone payments for the first commercial sale in various territories for up to three indications, and sales milestone payments of up to \$30,000,000 for the first product in the second product modality. We will also be eligible to receive tiered mid-single digit royalties to low double-digit royalties on net sales of each product commercialized by BMS. The Amendment does not change the term of BMS’ royalty obligation. BMS’ royalty obligation continues on a licensed product-by licensed-product basis until the later of (i) the expiration of the last claim of the licensed patents covering the licensed products in the country, (ii) the twelfth anniversary of the first commercial sale of a licensed product in a country, or (iii) the expiration of any applicable regulatory, pediatric, orphan drug or data exclusivity with respect to such product. Upon receipt of the upfront payment from BMS, we will be required to make a payment to The Regents of the University of California (“UC”), acting through its Santa Barbara campus, under the terms of our exclusive license agreement with UC.

The Amendment does not change the term of the Original Agreement except to change when BMS may terminate the Original Agreement at will. As amended, the Original Agreement remains in effect on a licensed product-by-licensed product and country- by-country basis until neither party has any obligation to the other under the Original Agreement in such country with respect to such product. BMS may terminate the Original Agreement as amended at will as a whole or on a country-by-country basis at any time after the second anniversary of the effective date of the Amendment, on a target-by-target basis by providing two months’ advance written notice to us if no regulatory approval for any product has yet been obtained or otherwise upon four months’ advance written notice to us. BMS may also terminate the Original Agreement as amended on a target-by-target basis in the event it determines that the medical benefit to risk ratio of a product is so unfavorable as to be incompatible with the welfare of patients. Either party may terminate the Original Agreement upon the other party’s uncured material breach that is not cured within 90 days after the breaching party receives notice of such breach and for the insolvency of the other party.

The closing of the transaction is subject to clearance under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act (“HSR Act”). The effective date of the Amendment will be the date of expiration or earlier termination of any applicable waiting period under the HSR Act.

The foregoing summaries of the material terms and conditions of the Amendment is qualified in its entirety by the actual Amendment, which will be filed as an exhibit to the Company’s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the three months ending March 31, 2017 and is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

On March 20, 2017, the Company issued a press release announcing the entry by the Company and BMS into the Amendment, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The information in this Item 7.01, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Security Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”) or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01. Financial Information and Exhibits

Reference is made to the Exhibit Index Attached hereto.

SIGNATURES

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

Date: March 20, 2017

CYTOMX THERAPEUTICS, INC.

By: /s/ Cynthia J. Ladd
Cynthia J. Ladd
Senior Vice President and General
Counsel

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Exhibit	<u>Description</u>
<u>No.</u>	
99.1	Press Release titled, “ Bristol-Myers Squibb and CytomX Therapeutics Extend Worldwide Collaboration to Discover Probody™ Therapeutics for the Treatment of Cancer and Other Diseases ” issued by CytomX Therapeutics, Inc. on March 20, 2017.



Bristol-Myers Squibb and CytomX Therapeutics Extend Worldwide Collaboration to Discover Probody™ Therapeutics for the Treatment of Cancer and Other Diseases

- *Builds upon initial 2014 alliance in oncology*
- *Includes up to eight additional targets in oncology and other therapeutic areas*
- *CytomX to receive \$200 million upfront payment*

(NEW YORK and SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, March 20, 2017) - Bristol-Myers Squibb Company (NYSE:BMJ) and CytomX Therapeutics, Inc. (Nasdaq:CTMX), a biopharmaceutical company developing investigational Probody therapeutics for the treatment of cancer, today announced an expansion of their 2014 strategic collaboration to discover novel therapies that will include up to eight additional targets using CytomX's proprietary Probody platform.

Probody therapeutics are designed to take advantage of unique conditions in the tumor microenvironment to enhance the tumor-targeting features of an antibody and reduce drug activity in healthy tissues. By remaining inactive until they are activated by proteases in the tumor microenvironment, Probody therapeutics bind selectively to cells within tumor tissue with reduced binding to healthy tissue, potentially improving or creating a therapeutic window. Probody therapeutics may also have application in other diseases where proteases are dysregulated in affected tissues.

As part of the original collaboration signed in May 2014 to discover, develop and commercialize Probody therapeutics, Bristol-Myers Squibb selected four oncology targets, including CTLA-4. In the collaboration to date, Bristol-Myers Squibb has progressed the CTLA-4 Probody therapeutic to Investigational New Drug-enabling studies and the three other programs are in the lead discovery and optimization phase.

"CytomX's Probody platform has enhanced our discovery research as we seek to direct the therapeutic effects of immunotherapy in a more targeted approach against tumors," said Carl Decicco,

Ph.D., Head of Discovery, Bristol-Myers Squibb. “We look forward to working more extensively with CytomX on this innovative and potentially disruptive approach in oncology as well as other disease areas.”

“This expanded collaboration with Bristol-Myers Squibb gives CytomX the opportunity to further the reach of our potentially transformational Probody technology and provides us with additional financial and strategic flexibility to build our company,” said [Sean McCarthy, D. Phil.](#), President and Chief Executive Officer. “With CX-072 in Phase 1/2, and CX-2009 approaching clinical studies, our broad wholly-owned pipeline is poised for initial proof of concept as we aim to reinvent therapeutic antibodies.”

Under the terms of the agreement, CytomX will grant Bristol-Myers Squibb exclusive worldwide rights to develop and commercialize Probody therapeutics for up to six additional oncology targets and two non-oncology targets. Bristol-Myers Squibb will make an upfront payment of \$200 million to CytomX and, in addition, will provide research funding over the course of the research term. CytomX will also be eligible to receive up to \$448 million in future development, regulatory and sales milestone payments for each collaboration target, as well as tiered royalties from the mid-single digits to low-double digits on net sales of each product commercialized by Bristol-Myers Squibb.

Closing of the transaction is subject to customary closing conditions, including clearance under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act.

About Bristol-Myers Squibb

Bristol-Myers Squibb is a global biopharmaceutical company whose mission is to discover, develop and deliver innovative medicines that help patients prevail over serious diseases. For more information about Bristol-Myers Squibb, visit us at [BMS.com](https://www.bms.com) or follow us on [LinkedIn](#), [Twitter](#), [YouTube](#) and [Facebook](#).

About CytomX Therapeutics

CytomX is a clinical-stage, oncology-focused biopharmaceutical company pioneering a novel class of investigational antibody therapeutics based on its Probody technology platform. The company uses its platform to create proprietary cancer immunotherapies against clinically-validated targets, such as PD-L1, and develop first-in-class cancer therapeutics against difficult-to-drug targets, such as CD166. Probody therapeutics are designed to take advantage of unique conditions in the tumor microenvironment to enhance the tumor-targeting features of an antibody and reduce drug activity in healthy tissues. The company’s lead program, CX-072, a wholly-owned PD-L1-targeting Probody therapeutic, is being

evaluated in a Phase 1/2 study. CX-072 is part of PROCLAIM (Probody Clinical Assessment In Man), an international umbrella clinical trial program that provides clinical trial sites with access to the company's novel therapies under one central protocol. The Investigational New Drug filing for CX-2009, a first-in-class Probody drug conjugate targeting the highly expressed tumor antigen, CD166, is targeted for the first half of 2017. In addition to its proprietary programs, CytomX is collaborating with strategic partners including AbbVie, Bristol-Myers Squibb Company, Pfizer Inc., MD Anderson Cancer Center and ImmunoGen, Inc. For more information, visit www.cytomx.com or follow us on Twitter.

Bristol-Myers Squibb Forward-Looking Statement

This press release contains "forward-looking statements" as that term is defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 regarding the research, development and commercialization of pharmaceutical products. Such forward-looking statements are based on current expectations and involve inherent risks and uncertainties, including factors that could delay, divert or change any of them, and could cause actual outcomes and results to differ materially from current expectations. No forward-looking statement can be guaranteed. Forward-looking statements in this press release should be evaluated together with the many uncertainties that affect Bristol-Myers Squibb's business, particularly those identified in the cautionary factors discussion in Bristol-Myers Squibb's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016 in our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and our Current Reports on Form 8-K. Bristol-Myers Squibb undertakes no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

CytomX Therapeutics Forward-Looking Statements

This press release includes forward-looking statements. Such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other important factors that are difficult to predict, may be beyond our control, and may cause the actual results, performance or achievements to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied in such statements. Accordingly, you should not rely on any of these forward-looking statements. Our Probody platform is beginning clinical development, and the process by which clinical development could potentially lead to an approved product is long and subject to significant risks and uncertainties. Collaborations with partners may not result in products, and milestone payments and royalties may not be received. Projected net cash utilization and capital resources are subject to substantial risk of variance based on a wide variety of factors that can be difficult to predict. Applicable risks and uncertainties include those relating to our preclinical research and development, clinical development, and other risks identified under the heading "Risk Factors" included in our filings with the SEC. The forward-looking statements contained in this press release are based on information currently available to CytomX and speak only as of the date on which they are made. CytomX does not undertake and specifically disclaims any obligation to update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of any new information, future events, changed circumstances or otherwise.

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