
**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 15, 2018

MannKind Corporation
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation or organization)

000-50865
(Commission
File Number)

13-3607736
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

**30930 Russell Ranch Road, Suite 301
Westlake Village, California**
(Address of principal executive offices)

91362
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (818) 661-5000

N/A
(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 (see General Instruction A.2. of Form 8-K):

- 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.

Item 8.01 Other Events.

As previously disclosed, on September 3, 2018 MannKind Corporation (the “Company”) entered into an exclusive global license and collaboration agreement (the “License Agreement”) with United Therapeutics Corporation. The effectiveness of the License Agreement was conditioned upon expiration or termination of the required waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act (the “Act”).

On October 15, 2018 (the “Effective Date”), the requisite waiting period under the Act expired and the License Agreement became effective. Pursuant to the License Agreement, United Therapeutics Corporation has agreed to pay the Company \$45 million as an upfront payment within 10 business days following the Effective Date.

On October 16, 2018, the Company issued a press release announcing the expiration of the requisite waiting period under the Act and the effectiveness of the License Agreement. A copy of this press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press Release, dated October 16, 2018

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.

Date: October 16, 2018

MANKIND CORPORATION

By: /s/ David Thomson

David Thomson, Ph.D., J.D.

Corporate Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary



UNITED THERAPEUTICS AND MANNKIND ANNOUNCE CLOSING OF LICENSE AND COLLABORATION AGREEMENT

Research Triangle Park, North Carolina and Westlake Village, California, October 16, 2018 – United Therapeutics Corporation (Nasdaq: UTHR) and MannKind Corporation (Nasdaq: MNKD) today announced the closing of their pending worldwide exclusive license and collaboration agreement for the development and commercialization of Treprostinil Technosphere®, a dry powder formulation of treprostinil being developed for the treatment of pulmonary arterial hypertension. As previously announced, the effectiveness of the agreement was conditioned upon expiration or termination of the required waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act. The requisite waiting period expired on October 15, 2018, and the agreement became effective the same day.

About MannKind Corporation

MannKind Corporation (NASDAQ: MNKD) focuses on the development and commercialization of inhaled therapeutic products for patients with diseases such as diabetes and pulmonary arterial hypertension. MannKind is currently commercializing Afrezza® (insulin human) Inhalation Powder, the Company's first FDA-approved product and the only inhaled rapid-acting mealtime insulin in the United States, where it is available by prescription from pharmacies nationwide. MannKind is headquartered in Westlake Village, California, and has a state-of-the art manufacturing facility in Danbury, Connecticut. The Company also employs field sales and medical representatives across the U.S. For further information, visit www.mannkindcorp.com.

About United Therapeutics

United Therapeutics Corporation focuses on the strength of a balanced, value-creating biotechnology model. We are confident in our future thanks to our fundamental attributes, namely our obsession with quality and innovation, the power of our brands, our entrepreneurial culture and our bioinformatics leadership. We also believe that our determination to be responsible citizens – having a positive impact on patients, the environment and society – will sustain our success in the long term.

Through our wholly-owned subsidiary, Lung Biotechnology PBC, we are focused on addressing the acute national shortage of transplantable lungs and other organs with a variety of technologies that either delay the need for such organs or expand the supply. Lung Biotechnology is the first public benefit corporation subsidiary of a public biotechnology or pharmaceutical company. [uthr-g]

Forward-looking Statements

This press release contains forward-looking statements as defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, as amended. Forward-looking statements are statements that are not historical facts. These statements include projections and estimates and their underlying assumptions, statements regarding plans, objectives, intentions and expectations with respect to future financial results, events, operations, services, product development and potential, and statements regarding future performance. Forward-looking statements are generally identified by the words “expects”, “anticipates”, “believes”, “intends”, “estimates”, “plans” and similar expressions. Although United Therapeutics’ and MannKind’s management teams believe that the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements are reasonable, investors are cautioned that forward-looking information and statements are subject to various risks and uncertainties, many of which are difficult to predict and generally beyond the control of United Therapeutics and MannKind, that could cause actual results and developments to differ materially from those expressed in, or implied or projected by, the forward-looking information and statements. These risks and uncertainties include among other things, the uncertainties inherent in research and development, future clinical data and analysis, including post marketing, decisions by regulatory authorities, such as the FDA, regarding whether and when to approve any drug or device application that may be filed for any such product candidates as well as their decisions regarding labelling and other matters that could affect the availability or commercial potential of such product candidates, the absence of any guarantee that the product candidates if approved will be commercially successful, the future approval and commercial success of therapeutic alternatives as well as those discussed or identified in the public filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission made by United Therapeutics and MannKind, including those risks and uncertainties listed in United Therapeutics’ and MannKind’s annual reports on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017, and listed or described in subsequent reports filed by United Therapeutics and MannKind with the Securities and Exchange Commission. We are providing this information as of October 16, 2018, and neither United Therapeutics nor MannKind undertake any obligation to update or revise the information contained in this press release whether as a result of new information, future events or any other reason.

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