

**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 3, 2017

**CORVUS PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

001-37719  
(Commission  
File Number)

46-4670809  
(IRS Employer  
Identification Number)

863 Mitten Road, Suite 102  
Burlingame, CA 94010  
(Address of principal executive offices, including Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (650) 900-4520

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:

- 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 (17 CFR §230.405) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR §240.12b-2). Emerging growth company [ X ]

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. [ X ]

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

On August 3, 2017, Corvus Pharmaceuticals, Inc. issued a press release regarding, among other matters, its unaudited financial results for the three and six months ended June 30, 2017 and its unaudited financial position as of June 30, 2017, and provided a business update. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K.

The information in this Item 2.02 of this Form 8-K and the Exhibit 99.1 attached hereto 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, or incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

Reference is made to the Exhibit Index attached hereto.

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**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: August 3, 2017

**CORVUS PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.**

By: /s/ Leiv Lea  
Leiv Lea  
Chief Financial Officer

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## EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description

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99.1 Press release titled, "Corvus Pharmaceuticals Announces Second Quarter 2017 Financial Results and Provides Business Update" dated August 3, 2017.

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## Corvus Pharmaceuticals Reports Second Quarter 2017 Financial Results and Provides Business Update

BURLINGAME, Calif., Aug. 03, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Corvus Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (NASDAQ:CRVS), a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on the development and commercialization of novel immuno-oncology therapies, today announced financial results for the second quarter ended June 30, 2017, and provided a business update.

“We continue to make significant progress in advancing the clinical development of our lead product candidate, CPI-444, and other product candidates in our immuno-oncology pipeline,” said Richard A. Miller, M.D., co-founder, president and chief executive officer of Corvus. “We presented results from our ongoing Phase 1/1b study at the recent ASCO Annual Meeting, demonstrating promising clinical activity with CPI-444 in patients with non-small cell lung cancer and renal cell cancer who are resistant or refractory to prior anti-PD-(L)1 therapy. This is a difficult-to-treat and growing patient population, as there are very few treatment options for patients who have been given checkpoint inhibitor therapy, but whose disease has either continued to advance or has returned. With CPI-444 and other product candidates in our pipeline targeting the adenosine pathway, we now have several novel agents focused on this important new target in immuno-oncology.”

### **Recent Achievements and Upcoming Milestones**

#### *Clinical and Preclinical*

- Continued enrolling patients in four expansion cohorts in the ongoing disease-specific expansion part of the Phase 1/1b clinical study of CPI-444, the Company’s lead oral checkpoint inhibitor. The expanded cohorts include treatment with CPI-444 both as a single agent and in combination with atezolizumab (Tecentriq®), an anti-PD-L1 antibody, in renal cell cancer (RCC) and non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC). Corvus plans to present additional data from this study at the Society for Immunotherapy of Cancer (SITC) 32nd Annual Meeting in November 2017.
- Presented interim safety and efficacy data from 75 patients with RCC or NSCLC enrolled in the Phase 1/1b study in an oral presentation at the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) 2017 Annual Meeting. The data showed that treatment with CPI-444 both as a single agent and in combination with atezolizumab resulted in anti-tumor activity in patients resistant or refractory to prior treatment with anti-PD-(L)1 antibodies and in patients with PD-L1 negative tumors.
- Entered into a second collaboration agreement with Genentech to evaluate CPI-444 in combination with atezolizumab in a Phase 1b/2 clinical study as second-line therapy in patients with NSCLC who are resistant/refractory to prior anti-PD-(L)1 antibody therapy. Genentech and Corvus will share the costs of the trial that is expected to be initiated in the fourth quarter of 2017.
- Continued to progress the anti-CD73 antibody program toward Phase 1 study initiation in the first half of 2018.
- Continued to progress both A2B receptor antagonist and ITK inhibitor programs. Preclinical findings with a candidate A2B receptor antagonist indicate that it may enhance immune responses to certain tumors. These findings, which suggest the possible use of A2A receptor and A2B receptor antagonists in combination therapy, may lead to selection of a lead clinical candidate A2B receptor antagonist in 2018.
- Initiated development of an in-licensed antibody-based product candidate that inhibits a novel target in the adenosine pathway.

#### *Corporate*

- Held an R&D Day titled “The Adenosine Pathway: Extending the Reach of Cancer Immunotherapy.” An archive of the webcast is available in the “Investors” section of the Company’s website.
- Licensed global rights to an undisclosed novel immuno-oncology program, which includes a lead product candidate, from Monash University.

### **Financial Results**

At June 30, 2017, Corvus had cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities totaling \$110.3 million. This compared to cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities of \$134.9 million at December 31, 2016.

Research and development expenses for the three months ended June 30, 2017, totaled \$12.4 million compared to \$7.1 million for the same period in 2016. The increase of \$5.3 million was primarily due to an increase of \$3.0 million in outside clinical trial and contracted research costs associated with the Phase 1/1b clinical trial for CPI-444, an increase of \$1.2 million in drug manufacturing costs for the anti-CD73 antibody program, and an increase of \$0.7 million in drug manufacturing costs for the ITK program.

General and administrative expenses for the three months ended June 30, 2017, totaled \$2.8 million compared to \$1.7 million for the same period in 2016. The increase of \$1.1 million was primarily due to an increase of \$0.4 million in personnel and associated costs, primarily due to an increase in headcount, a \$0.3 million increase in legal and accounting costs, and an increase of \$0.3 million in costs associated with being a public company.

The net loss for the three months ended June 30, 2017, was \$15.0 million compared to \$8.6 million for the same period in 2016. Total stock compensation expense for the three months ended June 30, 2017, was \$1.5 million compared to \$1.1 million for the same period in 2016.

### **About Corvus Pharmaceuticals**

Corvus Pharmaceuticals is a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on the development and commercialization of

small molecule and antibody agents that target the immune system to treat patients with cancer. These agents block or modify crucial immune checkpoints and reprogram immune T-cells. Corvus' lead product, CPI-444, is a checkpoint inhibitor that is designed to disable a tumor's ability to subvert attack by the immune system by inhibiting adenosine in the tumor microenvironment. CPI-444 is a small molecule that is taken orally. CPI-444 is currently being evaluated in a multicenter Phase 1/1b clinical trial in patients with various solid tumors. This successive expansion cohort trial is examining the activity of CPI-444 both as a single agent and in combination with Genentech's atezolizumab, an anti-PD-L1 antibody. Corvus is conducting the trial with Genentech, a member of the Roche Group, under a clinical trial collaboration the two companies entered into in October 2015. For more information, visit: [www.corvuspharma.com](http://www.corvuspharma.com).

Tecentriq® (atezolizumab) is a registered trademark of Genentech.

### Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains forward-looking statements, including statements related to the potential safety and efficacy of CPI-444, both as a single agent and in combination with anti-PD-1 or anti-PD-L1, the Company's or Genentech's ability to develop and advance product candidates into and successfully complete clinical trials, including the Company's Phase 1/1b clinical trial of CPI-444, and Genentech's expected Phase 1b/2 clinical trial of CPI-444 in combination with atezolizumab, and the timing of any future clinical trials; and the potential utility of preclinical findings in the selection of product candidates. All statements other than statements of historical fact contained in this press release are forward-looking statements. These statements often include words such as "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "intend," "plan," "estimate," "seek," "will," "may" or similar expressions. Forward-looking statements are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties, many of which involve factors or circumstances that are beyond the Company's control. The Company's actual results could differ materially from those stated or implied in forward-looking statements due to a number of factors, including but not limited to, risks detailed in the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the three months ended June 30, 2017, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 3, 2017, as well as other documents that may be filed by the Company from time to time with the Securities and Exchange Commission. In particular, the following factors, among others, could cause results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements: the Company's ability to demonstrate evidence of efficacy and safety for CPI-444 during its Phase 1/1b clinical trial; the accuracy of the Company's estimates relating to its or Genentech's ability to initiate and/or complete clinical trials or the ability of Genentech to demonstrate evidence of efficacy and safety for CPI-444 during its expected Phase 1b/2 clinical trial; the results of preclinical findings and early clinical trials may not be predictive of future results; the unpredictability of the regulatory process; and regulatory developments in the United States and foreign countries. Although the Company believes that the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements are reasonable, it cannot guarantee that the events and circumstances reflected in the forward-looking statements will be achieved or occur, and the timing of events and circumstances and actual results could differ materially from those projected in the forward-looking statements. Accordingly, you should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. All such statements speak only as of the date made, and the Company undertakes no obligation to update or revise publicly any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

**CORVUS PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS**  
(in thousands, except share and per share data)  
(unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	June 30,		June 30,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Operating expenses:				
	\$			
Research and development	12,386	\$ 7,119	\$ 25,884	\$ 12,517
General and administrative	2,788	1,706	5,507	2,734
Total operating expenses	<u>15,174</u>	<u>8,825</u>	<u>31,391</u>	<u>15,251</u>
Loss from operations	(15,174)	(8,825)	(31,391)	(15,251)
Interest income	193	180	374	259
Net loss	<u>\$ (14,981)</u>	<u>\$ (8,645)</u>	<u>\$ (31,017)</u>	<u>\$ (14,992)</u>
Net loss per share, basic and diluted	<u>\$ (0.73)</u>	<u>\$ (0.43)</u>	<u>\$ (1.52)</u>	<u>\$ (1.42)</u>
Shares used to compute net loss per share, basic and diluted	<u>20,426,849</u>	<u>19,959,459</u>	<u>20,388,820</u>	<u>10,568,562</u>

**CORVUS PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS**

(in thousands)  
(unaudited)

	<b>June 30, 2017</b>	<b>December 31, 2016</b>
Assets		
Cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities	\$ 110,326	\$ 134,896
Other assets	<u>5,161</u>	<u>5,254</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 115,487</u>	<u>\$ 140,150</u>
Liabilities and stockholders' equity		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities and other liabilities	\$ 10,705	\$ 7,349
Stockholders' equity	<u>104,782</u>	<u>132,801</u>
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	<u>\$ 115,487</u>	<u>\$ 140,150</u>

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