

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): January 3, 2018

Apricus Biosciences, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Nevada

0-22245

87-0449967

(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

11975 El Camino Real, Suite 300, San Diego, CA

92130

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (858) 222-8041

(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:

- ☐ 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 240.13a-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 5.02. Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On January 3, 2018, the Board of Directors of Apricus Biosciences, Inc. (the “Company”) approved the payment of annual bonus awards for fiscal 2017 to the following executive officers based upon the Company's achievement relative to certain corporate objective set in the prior year:

Name	Title	2017 Cash Bonus Payment
Richard W. Pascoe	Chief Executive Officer and Secretary	\$176,681
Brian Dorsey	Senior Vice President, Chief Development Officer	\$92,597
Neil Morton	Senior Vice President, Chief Business Officer	\$79,750

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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.

Apricus Biosciences, Inc.

Date: January 5, 2018

By: /s/ Richard W. Pascoe

Name: Richard W. Pascoe

Title: Chief Executive Officer and Secretary