

SYNERGY PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

Form 8-K

July 08, 2015

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, DC 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): **July 8, 2015**

**Synergy Pharmaceuticals Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation or organization)

**001-35268**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**33-0505269**  
IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**420 Lexington Avenue, Suite 2012**

**New York, NY 10170**

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(212) 297-0020**

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(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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  - o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On July 8, 2015, Synergy Pharmaceuticals Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing that Troy Hamilton has joined the Company as Chief Commercial Officer. Mr. Hamilton will be responsible for Synergy's overall commercial strategy and execution, and will implement marketing, sales, and commercial operations and infrastructure for the U.S. launch of plecanatide. The press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Synergy Pharmaceuticals Inc. Press Release dated July 8, 2015.

**SIGNATURE**

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.

Dated: July 8, 2015

SYNERGY PHARMACEUTICALS INC.

By: /s/ Gary S. Jacob  
Gary S. Jacob, Ph.D.  
President and Chief Executive Officer