

SEATTLE GENETICS INC /WA
Form 8-K
August 19, 2011

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 19, 2011

Seattle Genetics, Inc.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

0-32405
(Commission
File Number)

91-1874389
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

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21823 30th Drive SE

Bothell, Washington 98021

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(425) 527-4000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On August 19, 2011, Seattle Genetics, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing that the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has granted accelerated approval of ADCETRIS™ (brentuximab vedotin) for two indications: (1) the treatment of patients with Hodgkin lymphoma after failure of autologous stem cell transplant (ASCT) or after failure of at least two prior multi-agent chemotherapy regimens in patients who are not ASCT candidates, and (2) the treatment of patients with systemic anaplastic large cell lymphoma (ALCL) after failure of at least one prior multi-agent chemotherapy regimen. The indications for ADCETRIS are based on response rate. There are no data available demonstrating improvement in patient-reported outcomes or survival with ADCETRIS.

A more detailed description of the FDA's grant of accelerated approval of ADCETRIS™ (brentuximab vedotin) is contained in the Company's press release dated August 19, 2011 which is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this current report and is incorporated by reference herein. The foregoing description of the FDA's grant of accelerated approval is qualified in its entirety by the information provided in such press release.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release of Seattle Genetics, Inc. dated August 19, 2011

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.

SEATTLE GENETICS, INC.

Date: August 19, 2011

By: /s/ Clay B. Siegall
Clay B. Siegall
President and Chief Executive Officer

INDEX TO EXHIBITS

Exhibit

| No. | Description |
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| 99.1 | Press Release of Seattle Genetics, Inc. dated August 19, 2011 |