Aralez Pharmaceuticals Inc. Form 8-K June 17, 2016

# **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): June 16, 2016

# ARALEZ PHARMACEUTICALS INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

British Columbia, Canada (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) **001-37691** (Commission File Number) 98-1283375 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

7100 West Credit Avenue, Suite 101, Mississauga, Ontario, Canada

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(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (905) 876-1118

## Not Applicable

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

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#### Item 5.07. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

Aralez Pharmaceutical Inc. s (the Company ) Annual Meeting of Shareholders (the Annual Meeting ) was held at the offices of Stikeman Elliott LLP, 5300 Commerce Court West, 199 Bay Street, Toronto, Ontario, Canada M5L 1B9, on Thursday, June 16, 2016. At the Annual Meeting, the following matters were submitted to a vote of shareholders:

• The election of eight (8) directors to serve until the next annual meeting of shareholders or until their successors are elected;

• The ratification of the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP ( E&Y ), an independent registered public accounting firm, as the Company s auditors for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2016; and

• The non-binding, advisory vote to approve the Company s approach to the compensation of its named executive officers as disclosed in the Company s proxy statement dated May 6, 2016.

At the close of business on May 3, 2016, the record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting, there were 64,019,851 shares of the Company s common stock (the Common Stock ) outstanding and entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting. The holders of 49,371,169 shares of the Common Stock were represented in person or by proxy at the Annual Meeting, constituting a quorum.

At the Annual Meeting, the directors were elected, and all other proposals submitted to stockholders were approved.

### **Proposal 1. Election of Directors**

The vote with respect to the election of the directors was as follows:

	For	Withheld	Broker Non-Votes
Adrian Adams	36,924,816	640,613	11,805,740
Jason M. Aryeh	34,724,222	2,841,207	11,805,740
Neal F. Fowler	34,912,811	2,652,618	11,805,740
Rob Harris	36,728,124	837,305	11,805,740
Arthur S. Kirsch	36,864,255	701,174	11,805,740
Kenneth B. Lee, Jr.	34,432,470	3,132,959	11,805,740
Seth A. Rudnick, M.D.	34,916,599	2,648,830	11,805,740
F. Martin Thrasher	37,299,273	266,156	11,805,740

## Proposal 2. Appointment of Auditors

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The vote with respect to the approval of the appointment of E&Y, an independent registered public accounting firm, as the Company s auditors for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2016 was as follows:

For	Withheld
48,930,441	440,728

## Proposal 3. Non-Binding Say-on-Pay Vote

The vote with respect to the non-binding, advisory vote to approve the Company s approach to the compensation of its named executive officers as disclosed in the Company s proxy statement dated May 6, 2016 was as follows:

For Against Abstain Votes				Broker Non-
	For	Against	Abstain	Votes
24,695,883 12,339,643 529,902 11,805,741	24,695,883	12,339,643	529,902	11,805,741

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### 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.

Date: June 16, 2016

### ARALEZ PHARMACEUTICALS INC.

By:

/s/ Eric L. Trachtenberg Eric L. Trachtenberg General Counsel, Chief Compliance Officer and Corporate Secretary

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