| ACURA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC Form 8-K | |
|--|--|
| February 01, 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 | |
| February 1, 2016 | |
| Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) | |
| | |
| ACURA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. | |
| (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter) | |
| | |
| State of New York 1-10113 11-0853640 (State of Other Jurisdiction (Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer of Incorporation) Identification Number) | |
| 616 N. North Court, Suite 120 | |

Palatine, Illinois 60067

| (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) |
|--|
| (847) 705-7709 |
| (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): |
| "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 (17CFR 240.14a-12) |
| "Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17CFR240.14d-J(b)) |
| "Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17CFR 240.13e-L(c)) |
| |
| |

Item 8.01 Other Events

On February 1, 2016 we issued a press release announcing that clinical testing of our lead LIMITX™ oral abuse deterrent drug candidate using the opioid hydromorphone HCl (LTX-04) is allowed to proceed under an Investigational New Drug Application (IND) and that we are in the process of manufacturing clinical trial materials and expect to commence enrollment in the first clinical study of LTX-04, Study AP-LTX-400, later in the first quarter of 2016. The press release is attached hereto and filed as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Exhibit Number Description

99.1 Press Release dated February 1, 2016

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 thereunto duly authorized.

ACURA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

By: /s/ Peter A. Clemens
Peter A. Clemens
Senior Vice President & Chief Financial Officer

Date: February 1, 2016

Exhibit Index

Exhibit Number Description

99.1 Press Release dated February 1, 2016