DURECT CORP Form 8-K October 31, 2016

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

October 31, 2016 Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

DURECT CORPORATION

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

000-31615 (Commission

94-3297098 (I.R.S. Employer

of incorporation or organization)

File Number) 10260 Bubb Road **Identification No.)**

Cupertino, CA 95014

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(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

(408) 777-1417

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

(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)

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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 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events

On October 31, 2016, DURECT Corporation, a Delaware corporation (DURECT), issued a press release providing an update on the DUR-928 development program including a description of data from the first cohort of a Phase 1b study with DUR-928 in patients with nonalcoholic steatohepatitis (NASH). A copy of DURECT s press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (d) Exhibits
- 99.1 Press Release of DURECT Corporation dated October 31, 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 hereunto duly authorized.

DURECT Corporation

Date: October 31, 2016 By:

/s/ James E. Brown James E. Brown

President and Chief Executive Officer

INDEX TO EXHIBITS

Exhibit

Number Description

99.1 Press Release of DURECT Corporation dated October 31, 2016