

THERAVANCE INC
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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): **September 24, 2015**

THERAVANCE, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware
(State or Other Jurisdiction of
Incorporation)

000-30319
(Commission File Number)

94-3265960
(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

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(Addresses, including zip code, and telephone numbers, including area code, of principal executive offices)

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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 September 24, 2015, GlaxoSmithKline plc (GSK) and Theravance, Inc. issued a press release announcing the intention to file a supplemental Japanese New Drug Application (sJNDA) for Relvar® Ellipta® (fluticasone furoate FF /vilanterol VI or FF/VI) for the treatment of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) with the Japanese regulatory authority during the first quarter of 2016. This decision follows results from Study 200820, a global phase III efficacy and safety study designed to provide additional data for the combination FF/VI in Japanese patients with COPD. The study which included 1,620 patients with COPD, of whom 370 were from Japan, showed that patients who received FF/VI 100/25mcg achieved a statistically significant improvement in lung function (as measured by change from baseline in trough FEV1) compared with VI 25mcg at 12 weeks (p=0.001).

FF/VI is not currently indicated for the treatment of COPD in Japan. FF/VI was approved by the Japanese Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare for the regular treatment of asthma in patients aged 15 and over in September 2013. Relvar® Ellipta® has been developed under the 2002 LABA collaboration agreement between Glaxo Group Limited and Theravance, Inc.

The press release is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated September 24, 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.

THERAVANCE, INC.

Date: September 24, 2015

By:

/s/ Eric d Esparbes
Eric d Esparbes
Chief Financial Officer