

Sorrento Therapeutics, 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): July 8, 2015

SORRENTO THERAPEUTICS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation or organization)

001-36150
(Commission
File Number)
9380 Judicial Drive

33-0344842
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

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San Diego, CA 92121

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (858) 210-3700

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

6042 Cornerstone Ct. West, Suite B

San Diego, CA 92121

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Item 2.01 Completion of Acquisition or Disposition of Assets.

On July 8, 2015, Sorrento Therapeutics, Inc. (the Company) consummated the previously announced sale (the Cynviloq Sale) to NantPharma, LLC of all of the Company s equity interests in IgdraSol, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company and the holder of the rights to Cynviloq, a polymeric micelle based Cremophor free paclitaxel injectable finished formulation.

Item 2.03 Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation under an Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement of a Registrant.

Upon the closing of the Cynviloq Sale, the Company became obligated to pay \$40 million to the joint venture company created by the Company and NantBioScience, Inc., a majority owned subsidiary of NantWorks, LLC (NantBioScience) as discussed in Item 8.01 Other Items.

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On July 8, 2015, the Company announced that it and NantBioScience have jointly committed \$100 million to establish a joint venture to focus on the development of first-in-class small molecules against targets that have eluded the pharmaceutical industry to date and which may address important drivers of cancer growth including cancer stem cells. The Company will contribute key small molecule programs (lead inhibitors of the proto-oncogenes c-Myc, and the master metabolism regulator HIF-1 alpha, and an inducer of the tumor suppressor cytokine TRAIL) to the joint venture which will be 60% owned by NantBioScience and 40% owned by the Company, and funded accordingly. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press release dated July 9, 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.

Dated: July 9, 2015

SORRENTO THERAPEUTICS, INC.

By: /s/ Henry Ji

Name: Henry Ji

Title: President and Chief Executive
Officer