

ACHILLION PHARMACEUTICALS INC

Form 8-K

June 22, 2011

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 21, 2011

Achillion Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-33095
(Commission File Number)

52-2113479
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

300 George Street

06511

New Haven, CT
(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(203) 624-7000**

N/A

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

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K 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

All references in this Current Report on Form 8-K to Achillion, the Company, we, us, our, or similar references refer to Achillion Pharmaceuticals, Inc., unless the context requires otherwise.

Common Stock Offering

On June 21, 2011, the Company entered into an underwriting agreement (the Underwriting Agreement) with Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated and Leerink Swann LLC, as representatives of the several underwriters named therein, to issue and sell 9,600,000 shares of the Company's common stock, par value \$0.001 per share (the Common Stock), in a public offering pursuant to a registration statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-172594) and a related prospectus supplement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. In addition, the Company granted the underwriters an option exercisable for 30 days from the date of such prospectus supplement to purchase, at the public offering price less the underwriting discount, up to an additional 1,440,000 shares of Common Stock.

The Company expects to receive net proceeds from the common stock offering of approximately \$52.9 million, after deducting estimated expenses and the underwriting discount.

The above description of the Underwriting Agreement is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Underwriting Agreement, which is filed as Exhibit 1.1 hereto and is incorporated herein by reference.

Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr LLP, counsel to the Company, has issued an opinion to the Company, dated June 21, 2011, regarding the legality of the shares of common stock to be issued and sold in the common stock offering upon issuance and sale thereof. A copy of the opinion as to legality is filed as Exhibit 5.1 to this current report on Form 8-K.

Press Release

The Company issued a press release on June 22, 2011 announcing the pricing of the Common Stock described above. The full text of the press release issued in connection with this announcement is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K, and the information contained therein is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Description
1.1	Underwriting Agreement, dated June 21, 2011, by and among the Company, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated and Leerink Swann LLC, as representatives of the several underwriters named therein
5.1	Opinion of Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr LLP, dated June 21, 2011
23.1	Consent of Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr LLP (included as part of Exhibit 5.1)
99.1	Press Release dated June 22, 2011

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: June 22, 2011

ACHILLION PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

By: /s/ Mary Kay Fenton
Mary Kay Fenton

Chief Financial Officer

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