BRISTOL MYERS SQUIBB CO Form 8-K February 14, 2018

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): February 14, 2018

BRISTOL-MYERS SQUIBB COMPANY (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware 1-1136 22-0790350 (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) Number) File Number) Number) Number)

345 Park Avenue New York, NY 10154 (Address of Principal Executive Office)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 546-4000

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):

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this

chapter). Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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ITEM 8.01. OTHER EVENTS

On February 14, 2018, Bristol-Myers Squibb Company (the "Company") and Nektar Therapeutics ("Nektar") issued a joint press release announcing that the companies have executed a global strategic development and commercialization collaboration for Nektar's lead immuno-oncology program, NKTR-214, for an upfront cash payment of \$1.0 billion and an equity investment of \$850 million. Nektar is also eligible to receive an additional \$1.78 billion in milestones, of which \$1.43 billion are development and regulatory milestones and the remainder are sales milestones. A copy of the press release announcing the transaction 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 of Bristol-Myers Squibb Company dated February 14, 2018.

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.

BRISTOL-MYERS SQUIBB COMPANY

Dated: February 14, 2018 By:/s/ Sandra Leung Name: Sandra Leung Title: General Counsel