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): November 29, 2016

Arrowhead Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

0-21898 (Commission File Number)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 46-0408024 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

225 South Lake Avenue, Suite 1050, Pasadena, CA 91101 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (626) 304-3400

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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On November 29, 2016, Arrowhead Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (the "Company") notified David Lewis, the Company's Chief Scientific Officer, that his position will be terminated, effective December 13, 2016.

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On November 29, 2016, the Company issued a press release announcing that the Company will be discontinuing development of its clinical stage drug candidates ARC-520, ARC-521, and ARC-AAT, which utilize the DPC_{iv}^{TM} , or EX1, delivery vehicle and redeploying its resources to support the development of RNAi therapeutics that utilize the Company's proprietary subcutaneous and extra-hepatic delivery systems.

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 thereunto duly authorized.

Date: December 1, 2016

ARROWHEAD PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

By: /s/ Kenneth Myszkowski
Kenneth Myszkowski

Chief Financial Officer