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## **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): May 22, 2014

ZIOPHARM Oncology, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction 001-33038 (Commission 84-1475672 (IRS Employer

of Incorporation)

File Number)

**Identification No.)** 

One First Avenue, Parris Building 34, Navy Yard Plaza

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## Boston, Massachusetts (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (617) 259-1970

(Zip Code)

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

## Not applicable

(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 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

On May 22, 2014, ZIOPHARM Oncology, Inc., or the Company, announced the presentation of results demonstrating the potent anti-tumor and anti-cancer stem cell (CTC) effects of Ad-RTS-IL-12 in a glioma (brain cancer) model, and in other preclinical and clinical settings. The presentation, titled Intratumoral Regulated Expression of IL-12 as a Gene Therapy Approach to Immunotherapy, was presented in an oral session at the 17th Annual Meeting of the American Society of Gene and Cell Therapy, held May 21-24 in Washington, D.C.

A copy of the above referenced press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and a copy of the above referenced presentation is furnished as Exhibit 99.2 to this Current Report on Form 8-K. This information, including the information contained in the press release furnished as Exhibit 99.1 and the presentation furnished as Exhibit 99.2, shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and is not incorporated by reference into any of the Company s filings, whether made before or after the date hereof, regardless of any general incorporation language in any such filing.

## Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

| Exhibit |   |
|---------|---|
| No.     | Description                                     |
| 99.1    | Press release of the Company dated May 22, 2014 |
| 99.2    | Presentation of the Company dated May 22, 2014  |

## **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.

Date: May 22, 2014

ZIOPHARM Oncology, Inc.

By: /s/ Kevin G. Lafond Name: Kevin G. Lafond

Vice President, Chief Accounting Officer and

Title: Treasurer

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