#### 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): July 21, 2017

> NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 0-24006 (Commission File Number) 94-3134940 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

#### 455 Mission Bay Boulevard South San Francisco, California 94158 (Address of Principal Executive Offices and Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (415) 482-5300

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:

□ 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))

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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 o

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. o

## Item 8.01. Other Events.

On July 21, 2017, Nektar Therapeutics, a Delaware corporation ("Nektar"), was informed by the European Medicines Agency's Committee for Medicinal Products for Human Use (the "CHMP") that it has adopted a negative opinion for the conditional marketing authorization application for ONZEALD<sup>TM</sup> in the European Union (the "MAA"). Nektar intends to appeal the CHMP opinion and immediately seek a re-examination of the opinion by the CHMP. Nektar and Daiichi Sankyo Europe GmbH will continue to collaborate on ONZEALD<sup>TM</sup> during the re-examination process.

# SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirement 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.

By:

/s/ Mark A. Wilson Mark A. Wilson General Counsel and Secretary

Date: July 21, 2017