

Ampio Pharmaceuticals, Inc.  
Form 8-K  
August 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): August 19, 2011**

**AMPIO PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in Charter)**

**Delaware**  
**(State or other jurisdiction of**  
  
**incorporation or organization)**

**001-35182**  
**(Commission**  
  
**File No.)**

**26-0179592**  
**(IRS Employee**  
  
**Identification No.)**

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**5445 DTC Parkway, Suite 925**

**Greenwood Village, Colorado 80111**

**(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)**

**(720) 437-6500**

**(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)**

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):

- ☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- ☐ 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 August 22, 2011, Ampio Pharmaceuticals, Inc. ( "Ampio" or the "Company" ) announced the hiring of Deborah Knobelman, Ph.D as Chief Business Officer. A copy of the news release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information contained in this Item 7.01 and Exhibit 99.1 to this report shall not be deemed to be filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liability of that section, and shall not be incorporated by reference into any filings made by Ampio under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, except as may be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On August 19, 2011, Deborah Knobelman, Ph.D. accepted an offer of employment to become Chief Business Officer of Ampio. Dr. Knobelman's employment with Ampio is scheduled to commence in September 2011. Prior to joining Ampio, Dr. Knobelman spent three years at Pfizer, most recently as Director of Strategy and Analytics for Pfizer's Primary Care product portfolio. From 2000 to 2007, Dr. Knobelman worked on Wall Street as an Equity Research Analyst covering the Specialty Pharmaceuticals sector for several investment banks, including JPMorgan and Piper Jaffray. Dr. Knobelman received a bachelor's degree with Distinction in Chemistry from Duke University and a Ph.D. in Pharmacology from the University of Pennsylvania.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

**(d) Exhibits.**

The following exhibit is furnished with this report:

99.1 Press Release dated August 22, 2011.

*This Current Report on Form 8-K and Exhibit 99.1 contain forward-looking statements made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements typically are identified by use of terms such as "may," "project," "should," "plan," "expect," "anticipate," "believe," "estimate" and similar words, although some forward-looking statements are expressed differently. Forward-looking statements represent our management's judgment regarding future events. Although the Company believes that the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements are reasonable, the Company can give no assurance that such expectations will prove to be correct. All statements other than statements of historical fact included in this Current Report on Form 8-K and in Exhibit 99.1 are forward-looking statements. Except as required by applicable law, the Company undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. The Company cannot guarantee the accuracy of the forward-looking statements, and you should be aware that the Company's actual results could differ materially from those contained in forward-looking statements due to a number of factors, including the statements under "Risk Factors" found in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 16, 2011, and its Form 10-Qs on file with the SEC.*

**SIGNATURE**

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.

**AMPIO PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.**

By: /s/ Mark D. McGregor  
Mark D. McGregor  
*Chief Financial Officer*

Dated: August 22, 2011

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| <b>No.</b> | <b>Description</b>                                                                                                                                 | <b>Method of Filing</b> |
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| 99.1       | Press Release issued by Ampio Pharmaceuticals, Inc. on August 22, 2011 announcing the hiring of Deborah Knobelman, Ph.D. as Chief Business Officer | Furnished               |