bluebird bio, Inc. Form 8-K June 22, 2015

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): June 22, 2015

bluebird bio, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE 001-35966 13-3680878

(State or other jurisdiction of (Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer incorporation) Identification No.)

150 Second Street

Cambridge, MA 02141

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

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Registrant's telephone number, including area code (339) 499-9300

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item 8.01Other Events

On June 22, 2015, bluebird bio, Inc. ("bluebird"), and Kite Pharma, Inc. ("Kite") issued a joint press release announcing that they have entered into a collaboration agreement to advance second generation T cell receptor product candidates to treat certain cancers associated with human papillomavirus. The full text of the press release regarding the announcement is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description 99.1 Press release issued by bluebird bio, Inc. and Kite Pharma, Inc. on June 22, 2015

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: June 22, 2015 bluebird bio, Inc.

By: /s/ Jason F. Cole Jason F. Cole Senior Vice President, General Counsel

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description 99.1 Press release issued by bluebird bio, Inc. and Kite Pharma, Inc. on June 22, 2015