UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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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): September 24, 2019

FENNEC PHARMACEUTICALS INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

001-32295
(Commission File Number)

British Columbia, Canada	**20-0442384**
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
PO Box 13628, 68 TW Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC	**27709**
(Address of principal executive offices)	(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (919) 636-4530

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))

☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common shares, no par value	FENC	Nasdaq Capital Market

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 ☐

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. ☐

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

On September 24, 2019, Fennec Pharmaceuticals Inc. announced the appointment of Jodi A. Cook PhD to its board of directors. A copy of the news release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

There were no arrangements or understandings between Dr. Cook and any other person pursuant to which Dr. Cook was elected to the board of directors, and there are no related party transactions between Dr. Cook and the Company.

Dr. Cook's annual pay will be consistent with other directors at $35,000 annually. Further, she will receive an initial grant of 20,000 options to purchase common shares which (i) have an exercise price per share equal to the "Fair Market Value" (as defined in Company's Option Plan); (ii) have a term of ten years, (iii) will be 100% vested on the date of grant, and (iv be otherwise on the terms and conditions set forth in the Company's Option Plan.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Description
Exhibit 99.1	Press Release dated September 24, 2019

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.

FENNEC PHARMACEUTICALS INC.

Date September 24, 2019

By: /s/ Robert Andrade
Robert Andrade
Chief Financial Officer

Exhibit 99.1

FENNEC APPOINTS JODI A. COOK, PhD TO ITS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Research Triangle Park, NC, September 24, 2019 – Fennec Pharmaceuticals Inc. (NASDAQ:FENC; TSX: FRX), a specialty pharmaceutical company focused on the development of PEDMARK™ (a unique formulation of sodium thiosulfate (STS)) for the prevention of platinum-induced ototoxicity in pediatric patients, today announced that it has appointed Jodi A. Cook, PhD to its board of directors. Dr. Cook currently serves as Head of Gene Therapy Strategy at PTC Therapeutics, Inc., a global biopharmaceutical company focused on the development and commercialization of clinically differentiated medicines that provide benefits to patients with rare disorders. Prior to joining PTC Therapeutics, she was one of the founding members and Chief Operating Officer of Agilis Biotherapeutics, a clinical-stage company focused on gene therapies for patients with rare diseases. Importantly, her career spans a wide range of experience relevant to Fennec's business interests including Assistant Professor of Audiology and Director of the Hearing Aid Program at Mayo Clinic, and executive positions in a number of successful biotech start-ups within the hearing industry. While at Agilis, she led the sale of the company to PTC Therapeutics in a deal that has represented significant value to all parties.

"On behalf of the board of directors, we welcome the addition of Jodi Cook," said Khalid Islam, PhD, Fennec's chairman of the board. "She brings extensive scientific, clinical and executive business experience to the Company. Her background and track record of success will enhance our team as we further advance the commercialization and development strategy of PEDMARK."

"I am delighted to be joining Fennec's board of directors at this key point of development for PEDMARK," said Cook. "Cisplatin induced hearing loss is a significant unmet medical need, a solution to which has evaded medicine for decades. As such, I look forward to assisting the Fennec team in its efforts to successfully commercialize the first approved drug for the prevention of hearing loss."

Forward looking statements
Except for historical information described in this press release, all other statements are forward-looking. Forward-looking statements are subject to certain risks and uncertainties inherent in the Company's business that could cause actual results to vary, including such risks that regulatory and guideline developments may change, scientific data may not be sufficient to meet regulatory standards or receipt of required regulatory clearances or approvals, clinical results may not be replicated in actual patient settings, protection offered by the Company's patents and patent applications may be challenged, invalidated or circumvented by its competitors, the available market for the Company's products will not be as large as expected, the Company's products will not be able to penetrate one or more targeted markets, revenues will not be sufficient to fund further development and clinical studies, the Company may not meet its future capital requirements in different countries and municipalities, and other risks detailed from time to time in the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission including its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2018. Fennec Pharmaceuticals, Inc. disclaims any obligation to update these forward-looking statements except as required by law.

For a more detailed discussion of related risk factors, please refer to our public filings available at www.sec.gov and www.sedar.com.

About PEDMARK™ (Sodium Thiosulfate (STS))
Cisplatin and other platinum compounds are essential chemotherapeutic components for many pediatric malignancies. Unfortunately, platinum-based therapies cause ototoxicity in many patients, and are particularly harmful to the survivors of pediatric cancer.

In the U.S. and Europe there is estimated that over 10,000 children may receive platinum-based chemotherapy. The incidence of hearing loss in these children depends upon the dose and duration of chemotherapy, and many of these children require lifelong hearing aids. There is currently no established preventive agent for this hearing loss and only expensive, technically difficult and sub-optimal cochlear (inner ear) implants have been shown to provide some benefit. Infants and young children at critical stages of development lack speech language development and literacy, and older children and adolescents lack social-emotional development and educational achievement.

STS has been studied by cooperative groups in two Phase 3 clinical studies of survival and reduction of ototoxicity, The Clinical Oncology Group Protocol ACCL0431 and SIOPEL 6. Both studies are completed. The COG ACCL0431 protocol enrolled one of five childhood cancers typically treated with intensive cisplatin therapy for localized and disseminated disease, including newly diagnosed hepatoblastoma, germ cell tumor, osteosarcoma, neuroblastoma, and medulloblastoma. SIOPEL 6 enrolled only hepatoblastoma patients with localized tumors.

About Fennec Pharmaceuticals

Fennec Pharmaceuticals Inc. is a specialty pharmaceutical company focused on the development of Sodium Thiosulfate (STS) for the prevention of platinum-induced ototoxicity in pediatric patients. Fennec initiated a rolling New Drug Application (NDA) for PEDMARK™ for the prevention of ototoxicity induced by cisplatin chemotherapy patients 1 month to < 18 years of age with localized, non-metastatic, solid tumors in December 2018. The Company is targeting completing the NDA submission in early 2020 with potential first commercial launch of PEDMARK™ in the second half of 2020. Further, PEDMARK™ received Breakthrough Therapy and Fast Track Designation by the FDA in March 2018. Fennec has a license agreement with Oregon Health and Science University (OHSU) for exclusive worldwide license rights to intellectual property directed to STS and its use for chemoprotection, including the prevention of ototoxicity induced by platinum chemotherapy, in humans. For more information, please visit www.fennecpharma.com.

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