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 10, 2016

CYCLACEL PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 0-50626 (Commission File Number) 91-1707622 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

200 Connell Drive, Suite 1500 Berkeley Heights, NJ 07922 (Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (908) 517-7330

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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):

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

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

The information set forth under this "Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition," including the exhibit attached hereto, shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Attached as Exhibit 99.1 is a copy of a press release of Cyclacel Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (the "**Company**"), dated August 10, 2016, announcing certain financial results for the second quarter ended June 30, 2016.

The Company will conduct a conference call to review its financial results on August 10, 2016, at 4:30 p.m., Eastern Time.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit	
Number	Description
99.1	Press release announcing financial results for the second quarter ended June 30, 2016, dated August 10, 2016.

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 thereunto duly authorized.

CYCLACEL PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

By: /s/ Paul McBarron

 Name:
 Paul McBarron

 Title:
 Executive Vice President—Finance, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Operating Officer

Date: August 10, 2016



PRESS RELEASE

CYCLACEL PHARMACEUTICALS REPORTS 2ND QUARTER 2016 FINANCIAL RESULTS

Conference Call Scheduled August 10, 2016 at 4:30 p.m. EDT

BERKELEY HEIGHTS, N.J., Aug. 10, 2016 -- Cyclacel Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Nasdaq: CYCC) (Nasdaq: CYCCP) ("Cyclacel" or the "Company"), a biopharmaceutical company developing oral therapies that target the various phases of cell cycle control for the treatment of cancer and other serious disorders, today reported financial results and business highlights for the second quarter ended June 30, 2016.

The Company's net loss applicable to common shareholders for the second quarter ended June 30, 2016 was \$3.0 million, or \$1.01 per basic and diluted share, compared to net loss applicable to common shareholders of \$3.4 million, or \$1.19 per basic and diluted share for the second quarter ended June 30, 2015. As of June 30, 2016, cash and cash equivalents totaled \$15.9 million.

"Subsequent to the end of the quarter, we achieved a key milestone in our acute myeloid leukemia (AML) SEAMLESS Phase 3 study," said Spiro Rombotis, President and Chief Executive Officer of Cyclacel. "The required number of events has been reached and preparations for final analysis and reporting of SEAMLESS outcomes are underway. Over the next several weeks, we will complete data cleaning and validation operations after which the database will be transferred to our statistical analysis vendor. We will subsequently report outcomes for the primary (overall survival) and secondary endpoints and determination of submissibility of the SEAMLESS data set to regulatory authorities in Europe and the United States.

In our DNA damage response program, durable antitumor activity was reported at an oral presentation at the 2016 ASCO Annual Meeting with a combination of sapacitabine and seliciclib, our CDK2/9 inhibitor, in heavily pretreated patients with breast, ovarian and pancreatic cancers who tested positive for BRCA mutations. A disease control rate of 35.6% was observed, with ongoing responding patients achieving treatment durations exceeding 1 and 4.7 years, respectively. We continue to enroll patients with solid tumors in a first-in-human, Phase 1 study of CYC065, our second-generation CDK2/9 inhibitor."

BUSINESS HIGHLIGHTS

SEAMLESS study

- Phase 3 study of oral sapacitabine capsules alternating with intravenous decitabine compared to decitabine alone, as first-line treatment in patients aged 70 years or older with AML who are unfit or refused intensive chemotherapy, reached the number of events required for final analysis.
- Preparations are underway for final analysis of study data.

DNA damage response program

- · Oral presentation of data at 2016 American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) Annual Meeting.
- Phase 1 combination of sapacitabine and seliciclib as orally-administered treatment in 67 heavily-pretreated patients. Antitumor activity in subgroup of 45 patients with breast, ovarian and pancreatic cancers who tested positive for BRCA mutations. Disease control rate of 35.6% (1 CR, 5 PR and 10 SD). No CR or PR observed in BRCA negative patients.

Ongoing extension cohort in BRCA positive patients with breast cancer.

Cyclin dependent kinase (CDK) inhibitor program

Continued recruitment in Phase 1, first-in-human trial of CYC065, a CDK2/9 inhibitor, to evaluate safety, tolerability and pharmacokinetics in patients with solid tumors and lymphomas.

Corporate

- Received notification from the Listing Qualifications Staff of NASDAQ that the Company regained compliance with the minimum bid price rule for continued listing on The NASDAQ Capital Market.
- Effected a one-for-twelve reverse stock split of the Company's outstanding shares of common stock.
- Entered into an At Market Issuance Sales Agreement with FBR Capital Markets & Co. under which the Company may, from time to time, sell shares of the Company's common stock.
- Terminated Controlled Equity OfferingSM sales agreement with Cantor Fitzgerald & Co.

KEY UPCOMING MILESTONES

SEAMLESS study

- \cdot Study database locked in preparation for final data analysis.
- Report top-line data and determination of submissibility to regulatory authorities, anticipated in the fourth quarter 2016.
- Progress the Paediatric Investigation Plan for sapacitabine with the European Medicines Agency.

DNA damage response program

- Progress Phase 1 sapacitabine and seliciclib extension cohort in a breast cancer patient population enriched for BRCA mutations.
- \cdot Plan to add Phase 1, part 3 to include BRCA mutation positive, pancreatic and ovarian cancer patients.

CDK Inhibitor Program

- · Report top-line results of the CYC065 Phase 1 trial in patients with solid tumors and lymphomas.
- Report data when available from ongoing investigator sponsored trials (ISTs) evaluating seliciclib in patients with Cushing's disease and rheumatoid arthritis. Additionally, seliciclib is being evaluated in cystic fibrosis though a license and supply agreement with ManRos Therapeutics.

Sapacitabine in myelodysplastic syndromes (MDS):

- · Plan a Phase 1/2 trial of sapacitabine in combination with other agents to determine safety and tolerability.
- Plan a Phase 2 randomized controlled trial (RCT) of sapacitabine in combination with other agents following review of all relevant clinical data with mature follow-up.

SECOND QUARTER 2016 FINANCIAL RESULTS

Grant Revenue

Revenue for the three months ended June 30, 2016 was \$0.2 million, compared to \$0.3 million for the same period of the previous year. The revenue is related to previously awarded grants from the UK government being recognized over the period to progress CYC065 to IND and complete IND-directed preclinical development of CYC140, a novel, orally available, Polo-Like Kinase 1 (PLK 1) inhibitor.

Research and Development Expenses

Research and development expenses were \$2.6 million for the three months ended June 30, 2016 and \$2.6 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015.

General and Administrative Expenses

General and administrative expenses were \$1.3 million for the three months ended June 30, 2016 and \$1.3 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015.

Based on current plans, the Company estimates that it has capital resources to reach beyond the final analysis of SEAMLESS and continue existing programs through the first quarter of 2018.

CONFERENCE CALL AND WEBCAST INFORMATION:

Cyclacel will conduct a conference call on August 10, 2016 at 4:30 p.m. Eastern Time to review the second quarter 2016 results. Conference call and webcast details are as follows:

Conference call information:

US/Canada call: (877) 493-9121/ international call: (973) 582-2750

US/Canada archive: (800) 585-8367 / international archive: (404) 537-3406

Code for live and archived conference call is 59985383

For the live and archived webcast, please visit the Corporate Presentations and Events page on the Cyclacel website at <u>www.cyclacel.com</u>. The webcast will be archived for 90 days and the audio replay for 7 days.

About Cyclacel Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Cyclacel Pharmaceuticals is a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company using cell cycle control and DNA damage response biology to develop innovative, targeted medicines for cancer and other proliferative diseases. The SEAMLESS randomized Phase 3 trial of sapacitabine as front-line treatment for AML in the elderly under an SPA with FDA has completed enrollment. Cyclacel's pipeline includes an oral combination of seliciclib (CDK2/9 inhibitor) and sapacitabine in Phase 1 in advanced solid tumors, including patients with BRCA mutations; sapacitabine in Phase 2 in MDS; and CYC065 (CDK2/9 inhibitor) in Phase 1 in solid tumors and lymphomas with potential utility based on preclinical data in other hematological malignancies. Cyclacel's strategy is to build a diversified biopharmaceutical business focused in hematology and oncology based on a pipeline of novel drug candidates. Please visit <u>www.cyclacel.com</u> for more information.

FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

This news release contains certain forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to be materially different from historical results or from any future results expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Such forward-looking statements include statements regarding, among other things, the efficacy, safety and intended utilization of Cyclacel's product candidates, the conduct and results of future clinical trials, plans regarding regulatory filings, future research and clinical trials and plans regarding partnering activities. Factors that may cause actual results to differ materially include the risk that product candidates that appeared promising in early research and clinical trials do not demonstrate safety and/or efficacy in larger-scale or later clinical trials, trials may have difficulty enrolling, Cyclacel may not obtain approval to market its product candidates, the risks associated with reliance on outside financing to meet capital requirements, and the risks associated with reliance on collaborative partners for further clinical trials, development and commercialization of product candidates. You are urged to consider statements that include the words "may," "will," "would, "could," "should," "believes," "estimates," "projects," "potential," "expects," "plans," "anticipates," "intends," "continues," "forecast," "designed," "goal," or the negative of those words or other comparable words to be uncertain and forward-looking. For a further list and description of the risks and uncertainties the Securities and Exchange Commission and are available at <u>www.sec.gov</u>. Such forward-looking statements are current only as of the date they are made, and we assume no obligation to update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(In \$000s, except share and per share amounts)

(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30,			Six Months Ended June 30,				
		2015		2016		2015		2016
Revenues:								
Grant revenue	\$	296	\$	222	\$	808	\$	361
Operating expenses:								
Research and development		2,580		2,637		6,922		5,136
General and administrative		1,333		1,345		2,801		2,729
Total operating expenses		3,913		3,982		9,723		7,865
Operating loss		(3,617)		(3,760)		(8,915)		(7,504)
Other income (expense):				<u> </u>		<u> </u>		
Change in valuation of financial instruments associated with stock								
purchase agreement		(4)		_		(24)		_
Foreign exchange (loss) gain		(195)		138		(573)		318
Interest income		2		13		3		23
Other income, net		62		18		82		38
Total other income (expense)		(135)		169		(512)		379
Loss before taxes		(3,752)		(3,591)		(9,427)		(7,125)
Income tax benefit		405		626		1,168		1,119
Net loss		(3,347)		(2,965)		(8,259)		(6,006)
Dividend on convertible exchangeable preferred shares		(50)		(50)		(100)		(100)
Net loss applicable to common shareholders	\$	(3,397)	\$	(3,015)	\$	(8,359)	\$	(6,106)
Basic and diluted earnings per common share:					_			
Net loss per share – basic and diluted	\$	(1.19)	\$	(1.01)	\$	(3.32)	\$	(2.05)
Weighted average common shares outstanding		2,865,707		3,000,192		2,520,897		2,982,508

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CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(In \$000s, except share, per share, and liquidation preference amounts)

	December 31, 2015		June 30, 2016 (Unaudited)	
ASSETS				,
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	20,440	\$	15,931
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		4,051		2,762
Current assets of discontinued operations		75		75
Total current assets		24,566		18,768
Property, plant and equipment (net)		198		109
Total assets	\$	24,764	\$	18,877
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$	1,940	\$	1,898
Accrued and other current liabilities		3,738		3,592
Current liabilities of discontinued operations		75		75
Total current liabilities		5,753		5,565
Other liabilities		176		150
Total liabilities		5,929		5,715
Total stockholders' equity		18,835		13,162
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	24,764	\$	18,877

Source: Cyclacel Pharmaceuticals, Inc.