

**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 6, 2020**

**ACCELERON PHARMA INC.**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

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

**001-36065**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**27-0072226**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification Number)

**128 Sidney Street**  
**Cambridge, MA**  
(Address of principal  
executive offices)

**02139**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(617) 649-9200**

**Not Applicable**

(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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- 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 Exchange Act:

Title of each class	Ticker Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, \$0.001 per share	XLRN	The Nasdaq Global 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 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On August 6, 2020, Bristol Myers Squibb ("BMS") announced that net sales of REBLOZYL® (luspatercept-aamt) in the United States were approximately \$55.0 million for the quarter ended June 30, 2020. As previously disclosed, under the collaboration agreement between Acceleron Pharma Inc. (the "Company") and BMS for REBLOZYL, the Company is eligible to receive tiered royalty payments from BMS on net sales of REBLOZYL in the low-to-mid 20% range. The Company expects to report royalty revenue of approximately \$11.1 million from net sales of REBLOZYL in the United States for the quarter ended June 30, 2020.

This preliminary unaudited revenue estimate is the responsibility of management and is subject to the completion of the Company's customary quarter-end financial closing procedures, including management's review and finalization and review procedures by the Company's independent registered public accounting firm, which have not yet been completed. During the course of the Company's review process, items may be identified that would require it to make adjustments, which could result in material changes to the Company's preliminary unaudited estimated financial results. Consequently, the results should not be viewed as a substitute for the Company's earnings release and Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2020.

The information contained in this Item is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for any purpose, and shall not be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, regardless of any general incorporation language in any such filing.

**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.

**ACCELERON PHARMA INC.**

By: /s/ Adam M. Veness, Esq.

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Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

Date: August 6, 2020