ALEXION PHARMACEUTICALS INC
Form 8-K
June 20, 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): June 20, 2011

ALEXION PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	**000-27756**	**13-3648318**
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	**(Commission File Number)**	**(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)**

352 Knotter Drive, Cheshire, Connecticut 06410

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (203) 272-2596

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 8.01 Other Events.

On June 20, 2011, Alexion Pharmaceuticals, Inc., together with its subsidiary Alexion Pharma International Sàrl, issued a press release announcing that the Paul-Ehrlich-Institut, Germany s healthcare regulatory body for biological products, authorized initiation of an open-label clinical trial to investigate eculizumab (Soliris®) as a treatment for patients with Shiga-toxin producing E. coli hemolytic uremic syndrome. A copy of the press release is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release issued by Alexion Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and Alexion Pharma International Sàrl on June 20, 2011 relating to Alexion s initiation of an open-label clinical trial to investigate eculizumab (Soliris®) as a treatment for patients with Shiga-toxin producing E. coli hemolytic uremic syndrome.

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.

ALEXION PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

Date: June 20, 2011

By: /s/ Michael V. Greco
Name: Michael V. Greco
Title: Associate General Counsel and Corporate Secretary