NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS

Form 8-K

February 26, 2013

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): February 26, 2013

NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware 0-24006 94-3134940

(IRS

(State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission Employer

of Incorporation) File Number) Identification

No.)

455 Mission Bay Boulevard South

San Francisco, California 94158

(Address of Principal Executive Offices and Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (415) 482-5300

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

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Other Events.

On February 26, 2013, Nektar Therapeutics, a Delaware corporation ("Nektar"), issued a press release (the "Press Release") announcing that its collaboration partner, AstraZeneca, released results from the long-term safety trial of naloxegol (NKTR-118) in patients with opioid-induced constipation. A copy of the Press Release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1.

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Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit Description

Press release titled "AstraZeneca Announces Results From Long-Term Safety Trial of Naloxegol in Patients with Opioid-Induced Constipation," issued by Nektar Therapeutics on February 26, 2013.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirement 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.

By: /s/ Gil M. Labrucherie Gil M. Labrucherie General Counsel and Secretary

Date: February 26, 2013

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