BRISTOL MYERS SQUIBB CO Form 8-K August 03, 2012

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 1, 2012

BRISTOL-MYERS SQUIBB COMPANY

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction

1-1136 (Commission 22-079-0350 (IRS Employer

of Incorporation) File Number) Identification Number)

345 Park Avenue

New York, NY, 10154

(Address of Principal Executive Office)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (212) 546-4000

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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 August 1, 2012 Bristol-Myers Squibb Company (the Company) issued a press release announcing that it had suspended study drug administration in an ongoing Phase II study of BMS-986094 (formerly known as INX-189), a nucleotide polymerase (NS5B) inhibitor in development for the treatment of hepatitis C. This voluntary action was taken to protect patient safety based on the emergence of a serious safety issue. The cause of the safety issue and any potential relationship to study drug are unknown at this time. The Company acquired BMS-986094 when it completed its acquisition of Inhibitex, Inc. in February 2012. The carrying value of this in-process research and development intangible asset was \$1.8 billion as of June 30, 2012. The Company is assessing whether an impairment is required. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press release of Bristol-Myers Squibb Company dated August 1, 2012.

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.

BRISTOL-MYERS SQUIBB COMPANY

Dated: August 3, 2012 By: /s/ Sandra Leung

Name: Sandra Leung

Title: General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit

No. Description

99.1 Press release of Bristol-Myers Squibb Company dated August 1, 2012.