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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, 2018**

Editas Medicine, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware	001-37687	46-4097528
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

11 Hurley Street	02141
Cambridge, Massachusetts	(Zip Code)
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)	

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(617) 401-9000**

(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):

- 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))

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, 2018, Editas Medicine, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the “Company”), issued a press release announcing financial results for the fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2018 and other business highlights. A copy of the press release is being furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The information contained in Item 2.02 in this Current Report on Form 8-K (including Exhibit 99.1) shall not be deemed “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”) or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On August 6, 2018, the Company issued a press release announcing that Allergan Pharmaceuticals International Limited (“Allergan”), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Allergan plc, a leading global pharmaceutical company, exercised its option to develop and commercialize the Company’s program to treat Leber Congenital Amaurosis type 10 (the “LCA10 Program”) and the Company exercised its U.S. profit sharing option under which it will equally split profits and losses for the LCA10 Program in the United States with Allergan and co-develop the LCA10 Program in the United States. The full text of the press release issued in connection with this announcement is attached as Exhibit 99.2 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

1. (d) Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press release issued by the Company on August 6, 2018*
99.2	Press release issued by the Company on August 6, 2018

* This exhibit shall be deemed to be furnished and not filed.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

EDITAS MEDICINE, INC.

Date: August 6, 2018

By: /s/ Andrew A.F. Hack

Andrew A.F. Hack
Chief Financial Officer



Editas Medicine Announces Second Quarter 2018 Results and Update

Allergan exercises option to develop and commercialize EDIT-101 globally and Editas exercises option to co-develop and equally share profits and losses in the United States

Plan to file EDIT-101 Investigational New Drug (IND) application in October 2018

Strong balance sheet to advance Company through multiple value inflection points

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., August 6, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) – Editas Medicine, Inc. (NASDAQ: EDIT), a leading genome editing company, today reported financial results for the second quarter ended June 30, 2018, and provided an update on recent achievements and upcoming events.

“During the second quarter, we continued to drive towards our first IND and to advance our broader pipeline of transformative CRISPR medicines,” said Katrine Bosley, President and Chief Executive Officer of Editas Medicine. “Our lead candidate, EDIT-101 to treat the genetic disease LCA10, is poised to be the first *in vivo* CRISPR medicine in human trials with an anticipated IND filing in October. Our broader pipeline of ocular and engineered cell medicines is advancing as well.”

Recent Achievements and Outlook

- **Allergan Pharmaceuticals International Limited (Allergan) exercises option to develop and commercialize EDIT-101 globally and Editas exercises option to co-develop and equally share profits and losses in the United States.** Editas and Allergan announced today that Allergan has exercised its option for EDIT-101 and Allergan has paid an option exercise fee of \$15 million, which will be recorded in the third quarter. In addition, Editas is eligible to receive a \$25 million milestone payment from Allergan upon clearance of an IND application for EDIT-101.
 - **EDIT-101 advancing towards clinical trials with NIH filing submitted in July and IND filing anticipated in October 2018.** Editas submitted the requisite data package for human gene transfer clinical protocol registration to the United States National Institutes of Health (NIH) for potential review by the Recombinant DNA Advisory Committee. Editas plans to file an IND application for EDIT-101 with the United States Food and Drug Administration in October 2018. In addition, the Company presented new pre-clinical data on EDIT-101 at the American Society of Gene & Cell Therapy 21st Annual Meeting (ASGCT Meeting) demonstrating that EDIT-101 was well tolerated in a study of non-human primates (NHPs). Therapeutically relevant levels of editing were achieved in NHPs regardless of pre-existing or induced immunity to *Staphylococcus aureus* Cas9.
 - **Broader ocular pipeline moving forward.** Editas is pursuing product candidates for Usher Syndrome type 2A (USH2A) and recurrent ocular Herpes Simplex Virus type 1 (HSV-1). At the ASGCT Meeting, Editas and collaborators from Massachusetts Eye and Ear presented *in vitro* data demonstrating that deletion of
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exon 13 in the human USH2A gene using CRISPR/Cas9 can restore cilia formation, providing the basis for a potential medicine. Editas also presented pre-clinical *in vivo* proof-of-concept data in a rabbit model for its recurrent ocular HSV-1 program at the Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology 2018 Annual Meeting.

- **Designing novel medicines for Sickle Cell Disease and Beta-Thalassemia.** Editas reported data at the ASGCT Meeting demonstrating that lead molecules targeting the beta-globin locus drove the upregulation of fetal hemoglobin in human mobilized peripheral blood stem cells. This was achieved by editing a novel genomic site that has potential to result in a best-in-class medicine. Editas expects to present additional data on this program in the second half of 2018.
- **Improving efficacy of engineered T cell medicines to treat cancer with CRISPR-based gene editing.** In May, Editas expanded its collaboration with Juno Therapeutics, Inc., a Celgene company (Celgene), to develop and commercialize engineered T cell medicines for cancer. The recently expanded collaboration now encompasses four programs, including checkpoint inhibitors, tumor microenvironment, T cell receptor locus editing, and an undisclosed program.
- **Strong balance sheet to advance Company through multiple value inflection points.** The Company held cash, cash equivalents, and marketable securities of \$344.1 million as of June 30, 2018, providing at least 24 months of funding for operating expenses and capital expenditures without any assumption of future cash received from milestones or additional financings.

Upcoming Events

Editas will participate in the following investor conferences:

- Citi 13th Annual Biotech Conference, Gene Editing Panel, September 5, 1:15 p.m. ET, Boston;
- Morgan Stanley 16th Annual Global Healthcare Conference, Fireside Chat, September 12, 4:50 p.m. ET, New York City;
- Jefferies Gene Therapy Summit, September 27, New York City; and
- Chardan 2nd Annual Genetic Medicines Conference, October 9, New York City.

Editas will also participate in the following scientific and medical conferences:

- 26th Annual Congress of the European Society of Gene & Cell Therapy, October 16-19, Lausanne.
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Second Quarter 2018 Financial Results

Cash, cash equivalents, and marketable securities at June 30, 2018, were \$344.1 million, compared to \$329.1 million at December 31, 2017.

For the second quarter ended June 30, 2018, net loss attributable to common stockholders was \$38.7 million, or \$0.82 per share, compared to \$26.4 million, or \$0.65 per share, for the same period in 2017.

- Collaboration and other research and development revenues were \$7.4 million for the quarter ended June 30, 2018, compared to \$3.1 million for the same period in 2017. The \$4.3 million increase was primarily attributable to \$3.9 million in revenue recognized pursuant to a license agreement with Beam Therapeutics Inc. and a \$2.8 million increase in revenue recognized pursuant to our collaboration agreement with Celgene, partially offset by a \$2.4 million decrease in revenue recognized pursuant to our strategic alliance with Allergan.
- Research and development expenses were \$32.7 million for the quarter ended June 30, 2018, compared to \$17.3 million for the same period in 2017. The \$15.4 million increase was primarily attributable to \$9.6 million in increased sublicensing and success payment expenses resulting from \$12.5 million in research funding payments related to our sponsored research agreement with the Broad Institute which were partially offset by a decrease in sublicensing fees, \$3.1 million in increased process and platform development expenses, \$1.4 million in increased employee related expenses, \$0.9 million in increased stock-based compensation expenses, and \$0.4 million in increased facility-related expenses.
- General and administrative expenses were \$14.3 million for the quarter ended June 30, 2018, compared to \$11.9 million for the same period in 2017. The \$2.4 million increase was attributable to \$1.1 million in increased stock-based compensation expenses, \$0.7 million in increased employee related expenses, and \$0.7 million in increased professional service expenses, partially offset by \$0.2 million in decreased intellectual property and patent related fees.

Conference Call

The Editas management team will host a conference call and webcast today, August 6, 2018, at 5:00pm ET. To access the call, please dial 844-348-3801 (domestic) or 213-358-0955 (international) and provide the passcode 4379216. A live webcast of the call will be available on the Investors & Media section of the Editas Medicine website at www.editasmedicine.com and a replay will be available approximately two hours after its completion.

About Editas Medicine

As a leading genome editing company, Editas Medicine is focused on translating the power and potential of the CRISPR/Cas9 and CRISPR/Cpf1 genome editing systems into a robust pipeline of treatments for people living with serious diseases around the world. Editas Medicine aims to discover, develop, manufacture, and commercialize transformative, durable, precision genomic medicines for a broad class of diseases. For the latest information and scientific presentations, please visit www.editasmedicine.com.

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains forward-looking statements and information within the meaning of The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. The words “aim,” “anticipate,” “believe,” “continue,” “could,” “estimate,” “expect,” “intend,” “may,” “plan,” “potential,” “predict,” “project,” “target,” “should,” “would,” and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements, although not all forward-looking statements contain these identifying words. Forward-looking statements in this press release include statements regarding the Company planning to file an IND for EDIT-101 in October 2018, the Company planning to present data and the Company developing and bringing transformative medicines to patients. The Company may not actually achieve the plans, intentions, or expectations disclosed in these forward-looking statements, and you should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. Actual results or events could differ materially from the plans, intentions and expectations disclosed in these forward-looking statements as a result of various factors, including: uncertainties inherent in the initiation and completion of preclinical studies and clinical trials and clinical development of the Company’s product candidates; availability and timing of results from preclinical studies and clinical trials; whether interim results from a clinical trial will be predictive of the final results of the trial or the results of future trials; expectations for regulatory approvals to conduct trials or to market products and availability of funding sufficient for the Company’s foreseeable and unforeseeable operating expenses and capital expenditure requirements. These and other risks are described in greater detail under the caption “Risk Factors” included in the Company’s most recent Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, which is on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission, and in other filings that the Company may make with the Securities and Exchange Commission in the future. Any forward-looking statements contained in this press release speak only as of the date hereof, and the Company expressly disclaims any obligation to update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

Editas Medicine, Inc.
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations
(unaudited)
(amounts in thousands, except per share and share data)

	Three Months Ended	
	June 30,	
	2018	2017
Collaboration and other research and development revenues	\$ 7,372	\$ 3,097
Operating expenses:		
Research and development	32,718	17,318
General and administrative	14,311	11,894
Total operating expenses	<u>47,029</u>	<u>29,212</u>
Operating loss	(39,657)	(26,115)
Other income (expense), net:		
Other income, net	154	122
Interest income (expense), net	780	(446)
Total other income (expense), net	<u>934</u>	<u>(324)</u>
Net loss	<u>\$ (38,723)</u>	<u>\$ (26,439)</u>
Net loss per share attributable to common stockholders, basic and diluted	<u>\$ (0.82)</u>	<u>\$ (0.65)</u>
Weighted-average common shares outstanding, basic and diluted	<u>46,952,059</u>	<u>40,830,161</u>

Editas Medicine, Inc.
Selected Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet Items
(unaudited)
(amounts in thousands)

	<u>June 30,</u> <u>2018</u>	<u>December 31,</u> <u>2017</u>
Cash, cash equivalents, and marketable securities	\$ 344,080	\$ 329,139
Working capital	324,217	295,492
Total assets	393,530	373,260
Deferred revenue, net of current portion	104,929	94,725
Construction financing lease obligation, net of current portion	32,944	33,431
Total stockholders' equity	231,332	208,080

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Allergan and Editas Medicine Announce Exercise of Options to Jointly Develop CRISPR Genome Editing Experimental Medicine EDIT-101

Reinforces both Allergan's and Editas' continued commitment to developing innovative treatments for unmet needs in eye care

EDIT-101 is Editas Medicine's experimental CRISPR genome editing medicine for the treatment of Leber Congenital Amaurosis type 10 (LCA10)

DUBLIN, IRELAND and CAMBRIDGE, MASS. – August 6, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) – Allergan plc (NYSE: AGN), a leading global pharmaceutical company, and Editas Medicine, Inc. (NASDAQ: EDIT), a leading genome editing company, today announced that Allergan's wholly-owned subsidiary, Allergan Pharmaceuticals International Limited (Allergan), has exercised its option to develop and commercialize EDIT-101 globally for the treatment of LCA10. Additionally, the two companies announced that Editas Medicine has exercised its option to co-develop and share equally in the profits and losses from EDIT-101 in the United States. Under the terms of the option agreement signed in March 2017, Allergan has paid Editas Medicine a fee of \$15 million in conjunction with the exercise of its option. Editas Medicine is eligible to receive an additional \$25 million from Allergan upon acceptance of an investigational new drug (IND) application for EDIT-101 by the Food & Drug Administration (FDA).

"CRISPR-based medicines have the potential to be game-changers for patients with both genetically-defined and genetically-treatable diseases of the eye," said David Nicholson, Ph.D., Chief Research and Development Officer, Allergan. "The Allergan team is excited to work with colleagues at Editas Medicine to develop EDIT-101 and potentially deliver a transformative medicine for LCA10 patients."

"Today marks a significant milestone in our collaboration with Allergan and in our work to develop genomic medicines to treat eye diseases," said Katrine Bosley, President and Chief Executive Officer, Editas Medicine. "Allergan is a long-time innovator in ophthalmology, and their deep experience in developing, manufacturing, and commercializing medicines globally will meaningfully advance the EDIT-101 program and maximize our ability to bring this transformative medicine to people living with LCA10."

In March 2017, the two companies entered a strategic alliance and option agreement under which Allergan received exclusive access and the option to license up to five of Editas Medicine's genome editing programs for ocular diseases, including EDIT-101. Under the terms of the agreement, Allergan is responsible for development and commercialization of optioned products, subject to Editas Medicine's option to co-develop and share equally in the profits and losses of two optioned products in the United States. Editas Medicine is also eligible to receive development and commercial milestones, as well as royalty payments on a per-program basis where the parties are not

sharing profits and losses. The agreement covers a range of first-in-class ocular programs targeting serious, vision-threatening diseases based on Editas Medicine's unparalleled CRISPR genome editing platform, including CRISPR/Cas9 and CRISPR/Cpf1.

About Leber Congenital Amaurosis

Leber Congenital Amaurosis, or LCA, is a group of inherited retinal degenerative disorders caused by mutations in at least 18 different genes. It is the most common cause of inherited childhood blindness, with an incidence of two to three per 100,000 live births worldwide. Symptoms of LCA appear within the first years of life, resulting in significant vision loss and potentially blindness. The most common form of the disease, LCA10, is a monogenic disorder caused by mutations in the CEP290 gene and is the cause of disease in approximately 20–30 percent of all LCA patients.

About CRISPR Genome Editing Technology

CRISPR (Clustered Regularly Interspaced Short Palindromic Repeats) is a dynamic, versatile tool that can be programmed to target specific stretches of genetic code and edit DNA at precise locations in the human genome. The technology allows researchers to permanently modify genes and has the potential to create medicines with a durable treatment effect. Cas9 and Cpf1 are both enzyme/guide RNA complexes that use traditional RNA/DNA base-pairing to precisely locate specific DNA sequences with the goal of modifying or 'editing' a disease-associated or therapeutic genomic location.

About Allergan plc

Allergan plc (NYSE: AGN), headquartered in Dublin, Ireland, is a bold, global pharmaceutical leader. Allergan is focused on developing, manufacturing and commercializing branded pharmaceutical, device, biologic, surgical and regenerative medicine products for patients around the world.

Allergan markets a portfolio of leading brands and best-in-class products for the central nervous system, eye care, medical aesthetics and dermatology, gastroenterology, women's health, urology and anti-infective therapeutic categories.

Allergan is an industry leader in Open Science, a model of research and development, which defines our approach to identifying and developing game-changing ideas and innovation for better patient care. With this approach, Allergan has built one of the broadest development pipelines in the pharmaceutical industry.

Allergan's success is powered by our global colleagues' commitment to being Bold for Life. Together, we build bridges, power ideas, act fast and drive results for our customers and patients around the world by always doing what is right.

With commercial operations in approximately 100 countries, Allergan is committed to working with physicians, healthcare providers and patients to deliver innovative and meaningful treatments that help people around the world live longer, healthier lives every day.

For more information, visit Allergan's website at www.Allergan.com.

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Allergan Forward-Looking Statements

Statements contained in this press release that refer to future events or other non-historical facts are forward-looking statements that reflect Allergan's current perspective on existing trends and information as of the date of this release. Actual results may differ materially from Allergan's current expectations depending upon a number of factors affecting Allergan's business. These factors include, among others, the difficulty of predicting the timing or outcome of FDA approvals or actions, if any; the impact of competitive products and pricing; market acceptance of and continued demand for Allergan's products; the impact of uncertainty around timing of generic entry related to key products, including RESTASIS®, on our financial results; risks associated with divestitures, acquisitions, mergers and joint ventures; uncertainty associated with financial projections, debt reduction, projected cost reductions, projected synergies, restructurings, increased costs, and adverse tax consequences; difficulties or delays in manufacturing; and other risks and uncertainties detailed in Allergan's periodic public filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including but not limited to Allergan's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017 and Allergan's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 2018. Except as expressly required by law, Allergan disclaims any intent or obligation to update these forward-looking statements.

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