

**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): **May 19, 2019**

**RHYTHM PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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

**001-38223**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**46-2159271**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification Number)

**222 Berkeley Street  
12<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Boston, MA 02116**

(Address of principal executive offices, including Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(857) 264-4280**

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))

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.

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

<u>Title of each class</u>	<u>Trading Symbol(s)</u>	<u>Name of each exchange on which registered</u>
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value per share	RYTM	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC (Nasdaq Global Market)

**Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Appointment of Certain Officers**

On May 19, 2019, Lex H.T. Van der Ploeg, Ph.D., Chief Scientific Officer, delivered to Rhythm Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (the “Company”) notice of his intention to resign from his position with the Company effective as of the close of business on June 1, 2019 to start a new business developing devices to assist with learning disabilities, which is of great personal interest to him.

The Company has initiated a search to identify and recruit a candidate to fill this vacancy.

**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.

**RHYTHM PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.**

Date: May 23, 2019

By: /s/ Hunter Smith  
Hunter Smith  
Chief Financial Officer