

**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): **April 6, 2018**

INCYTE CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or Other Jurisdiction of
Incorporation)

001-12400
(Commission File Number)

94-3136539
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

**1801 Augustine Cut-Off
Wilmington, DE**
(Address of principal executive offices)

19803
(Zip Code)

(302) 498-6700
(Registrant's telephone number,
including area code)

N/A
(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 obligations 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 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 8.01 Other Events.

On April 6, 2018, Incyte Corporation (“Incyte”) and Merck announced that an external Data Monitoring Committee (“eDMC”) review of the ECHO-301 Phase III clinical trial results evaluating epacadostat, Incyte’s investigational IDO1 enzyme inhibitor, in combination with pembrolizumab in patients with unresectable or metastatic melanoma determined that the ECHO-301 trial did not meet the primary endpoint of improving progression-free survival compared to pembrolizumab monotherapy and that the second primary endpoint of overall survival is not expected to reach statistical significance and, based on these results and at the recommendation of the eDMC, the ECHO-301 trial will be stopped.

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.

Dated: April 6, 2018

