# 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): October 6, 2016

# **COHERUS BIOSCIENCES, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 001-36721 (Commission File Number) 27-3615821 (IRS Employer Identification Number)

333 Twin Dolphin Drive, Suite 600 Redwood City, CA 94065 (Address of principal executive offices, including Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (650) 649-3530

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

#### Item 8.01 Other Events

On October 6, 2016, Coherus BioSciences, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release reporting completion of two pharmacokinetic bioequivalence studies of CHS-0214, its biosimilar candidate of etanercept (Enbrel®). A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated by reference into this Item 8.01.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press release dated October 6, 2016.

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.

Date: October 6, 2016

## COHERUS BIOSCIENCES, INC.

By: /s/ Jean-Frédéric Viret

Name: Jean-Frédéric Viret Title: Chief Financial Officer

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# Exhibit <u>No.</u><u>Description</u>

99.1 Press release dated October 6, 2016.

# Coherus BioSciences Completes two Pharmacokinetic Bioequivalence Studies of CHS-0214

REDWOOD CITY, Calif., October 6, 2016 – Coherus BioSciences, Inc. (Nasdaq: CHRS) a leading pure-play, global biosimilar company with late-stage clinical products, today announced results from two pharmacokinetic (PK) studies involving CHS-0214, a biosimilar candidate to etanercept (Enbrel<sup>®</sup>).

CHS-0214-06 ('06 Study) was a Phase 1 pharmacokinetic bioequivalence (PK BE) study comparing CHS-0214 vs. European Union (EU) Enbrel. The '06 Study achieved the primary PK BE endpoint, as the 90% confidence intervals for the geometric mean ratio for the two groups was within 80% to 125% for all PK parameters.

CHS-0214-07 ('07 Study) is an additional, non-pivotal, Phase 1 bridging study. As anticipated, this study provided additional relative bioavailability data for CHS-0214. As planned, Coherus is moving forward with pre-submission meetings, now expected in the first quarter 2017, to review the complete CHS-0214 program prior to filing. The planned marketing authorizations submissions will occur directly thereafter.

"Coherus has successfully completed five clinical studies with CHS-0214 demonstrating similarity to Enbrel, including two pivotal Phase 3 studies in two separate indications and three PK studies. We look forward to discussing all data with EU regulators in the context of the overall program at the upcoming pre-submission meeting in preparation for the filing," said Denny Lanfear, President and Chief Executive Officer of Coherus BioSciences.

#### About Coherus BioSciences, Inc.

Coherus is a leading pure-play, global biosimilar company that develops and commercializes high-quality therapeutics for major regulated markets. Biosimilars are intended for use in place of existing, branded biologics to treat a range of chronic and often life-threatening diseases, with the potential to reduce costs and expand patient access. Composed of a team of proven industry veterans with world-class expertise in process science, analytical characterization, protein production and clinical-regulatory development, Coherus is positioned as a leader in the global biosimilar marketplace. Coherus is advancing three late-stage clinical products towards commercialization, CHS-1701 (pegfilgrastim biosimilar), CHS-0214 (etanercept biosimilar) and CHS-1420 (adalimumab biosimilar), as well as developing a robust pipeline of future products in four therapeutic areas, oncology, immunology (anti-TNF), ophthalmology and multiple sclerosis. For additional information, please visit www.coherus.com.

#### **Forward-Looking Statements**

Except for the historical information contained herein, the matters set forth in this press release, including statements regarding Coherus' plans, potential opportunities including market opportunities, expectations, goals, objectives, strategies, product pipeline, clinical studies, product development, and the potential benefits of its products under development are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the "safe harbor" provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, including Coherus' ability to obtain market authorizations for CHS-0214 in Europe. Such forward-looking statements involve substantial risks and uncertainties that could cause our clinical development programs, future results, performance or achievements to differ significantly from those expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. Such risks and uncertainties include, among others, the uncertainties inherent in the clinical drug development process, including the regulatory approval process, the timing of our regulatory filings and other matters that could affect the availability or commercial potential of our biosimilar drug candidates, as well as possible patent litigation. Coherus undertakes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, as well as risks relating to Coherus' business in general, see Coherus' Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2016, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 9, 2016 and its future periodic reports to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Enbrel<sup>®</sup> is a registered trademark of Amgen, Inc.

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