

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): March 28, 2022

Edesa Biotech, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

British Columbia, Canada

(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

001-37619

(Commission
File Number)

N/A

(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

100 Spy Court

Markham, Ontario, Canada L3R 5H6

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(289) 800-9600

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 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))

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

Title of each class

Common Shares

Trading Symbol(s)

EDSA

Name of exchange on which registered

The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC

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 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

Appointment of Jennifer Chao to the Board of Directors

On March 28, 2022, upon the recommendation of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee (the "Nominating Committee") of the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Edesa Biotech, Inc. (the "Company"), the Board voted to appoint Jennifer Chao as a director of the Company to fill a vacancy on the Board and also appointed Ms. Chao to serve as a member of each of the Nominating Committee and the Compensation Committee of the Company. Ms. Chao will serve for a term that commences immediately and expires at the Company's 2022 Annual Meeting of Shareholders, or until her earlier resignation or removal. In connection with Ms. Chao's appointment to the Board, Ms. Chao was granted an option to purchase 30,000 common shares of the Company. The option has a term of ten years, vests monthly in equal proportion over a period of twelve months beginning on the grant date, and has an exercise price of \$2.94 per share.

Ms. Chao has over 25 years of experience in the biotech and life sciences industries focused primarily on finance and corporate strategy. She is Managing Partner of CoreStrategies Management, LLC, a company she founded in 2008. She currently serves on the Board of Directors of Endo

International plc. (Nasdaq: ENDP), having previously served as a director (since 2015) and as Board Chair (since October 2019) of BioSpecifics Technologies Corp. until its acquisition by Endo in December 2020. She has also been a board member of Cardiol Therapeutics Inc. (Nasdaq: CRDL) since March 2022.

Additionally, from 2004 to 2008, Ms. Chao was Managing Director and Senior Lead Biotechnology Securities Analyst at Deutsche Bank. Prior to that, Ms. Chao served as Managing Director and Senior Lead Biotechnology Analyst at RBC Capital Markets and Vice President, Senior Biotechnology Analyst at Leerink Swann & Co. Ms. Chao was a research fellow at Massachusetts General Hospital/Harvard Medical School, as a recipient of the BioMedical Research Career Award, and received her B.A. in Politics and Greek Classics from New York University. Ms. Chao's qualifications to serve on the board of directors include her extensive experience in the life science industry, corporate strategy and U.S. capital markets.

There is no arrangement or understanding between Ms. Chao and any other person pursuant to which Ms. Chao was selected as a director, and there are no related party transactions involving Ms. Chao that are reportable under Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K.

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.

Edesa Biotech, Inc.

Date: March 29, 2022

By: /s/ Kathi Niffenegger

Name: Kathi Niffenegger

Title: Chief Financial Officer