

TITAN PHARMACEUTICALS INC
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Registration No. 333-

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM S-8
REGISTRATION STATEMENT

*UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933*

TITAN PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 94-3171940
(State or other jurisdiction of (I.R.S. Employer
incorporation or organization) Identification No.)
400 Oyster Point Blvd., Suite 505
South San Francisco, CA 94080
(650) 244-4990

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

Titan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. 2014 Incentive Plan
Titan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. 2015 Omnibus Incentive Plan

(Full title of the plan)

Sunil Bhonsle, President
Titan Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
400 Oyster Point Blvd., Suite 505
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(650) 244-4990

(Name, address and telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer
Non-accelerated filer (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

| Title of securities to be registered | Amount to be registered ⁽¹⁾ | Proposed maximum offering price per share | Proposed maximum aggregate offering price | Amount of registration fee |
|---|--|---|---|----------------------------|
| Common Stock, \$0.001 par value per share | 1,363,637 ⁽²⁾ | \$ 4.25 | (2) \$5,795,457 ⁽²⁾ | \$ 583.60 |
| | 421,113 ⁽³⁾ | \$ 3.58 | (3) \$1,507,585 | (3) \$ 151.80 |
| Total | 1,784,750 | | \$7,303,042 | \$ 735.40 |

Pursuant to Rule 416 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), this registration statement also covers any additional securities that may be offered or issued pursuant to the anti-dilution adjustment provisions of the Titan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. 2014 Incentive Plan (the "2014 Plan") and the Titan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. 2015 Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan (the "2015 Plan").

These shares to be registered are reserved for future grants under the 2015 Plan. Pursuant to Rule 457(h) under the Securities Act, the proposed maximum offering price, per share and in the aggregate, were determined upon the basis of the average of the high and low prices of our Common Stock, reported on the NASDAQ Capital Market on November 10, 2015, in accordance with Rule 457(c) under the Securities Act.

These shares to be registered represent shares outstanding or issuable upon exercise of currently outstanding options under the 2014 Plan and the 2015 Plan. Pursuant to Rule 457(h), the proposed maximum offering price, per share and in the aggregate, is the weighted average exercise price of such outstanding options.

PART I
INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE SECTION 10(a) PROSPECTUS

ITEM 1. PLAN INFORMATION*

ITEM 2. REGISTRANT INFORMATION AND EMPLOYEE PLAN ANNUAL INFORMATION*

* Information required by Part I to be contained in the Section 10(a) prospectus is omitted from this Registration Statement in accordance with Rule 428 under the Securities Act and the Note to Part I of Form S-8. The documents containing information specified in this Part I will be separately provided to the participants in the 2014 Plan and the 2015 Plan, as specified by Rule 428(b)(1) under the Securities Act.

PART II
INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

ITEM 3. INCORPORATION OF DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE

The following documents filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") by Titan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (the "Registrant") are incorporated herein by reference.

(1) The Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2014, filed on March 31, 2015;

(2) The Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, filed on May 13, 2015;

(3) The Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, filed on August 13, 2015;

- (4) The Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on April 28, 2015;*
- (5) The Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on June 9, 2015;
- (6) The Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on June 15, 2015;
- (7) The Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on August 25, 2015;
- (8) The Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on September 9, 2015;*
- (9) The Registrant's Current Reports on Form 8-K, filed on September 28, 2015;
- (10) The Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on October 7, 2015*;
- (11) The Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on October 9, 2015;
- (12) The Registrant's Schedule 14A Definitive Proxy Statement filed on July 20, 2015;
- (13) The Registrant's amended Schedule 14A Definitive Proxy Statement filed on August 11, 2015; and
- (22) The description of the Registrant's Common Stock set forth in the Registration Statement on Form 8-A12B filed on October 8, 2015.

*Portions of this report were furnished to the SEC under Item Item 7.01(Regulation FD Disclosure).

All documents subsequently filed by the Registrant with the Commission pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Exchange Act (other than documents or portions of documents deemed to be furnished pursuant to the Exchange Act), prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment which indicates that all securities offered have been sold, or which deregisters all securities then remaining unsold, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference herein and to be a part hereof from the date of filing of such documents.

Any statement contained in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this Registration Statement to the extent that a statement contained herein, or in any other subsequently filed document which also is incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein, modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this Registration Statement.

ITEM 4. DESCRIPTION OF SECURITIES

Not applicable.

ITEM 5. INTEREST OF NAMED EXPERTS AND COUNSEL

Not applicable.

ITEM 6. INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

Amended and Restated Bylaws

Pursuant to our bylaws, our directors and officers will be indemnified to the fullest extent allowed under the laws of the State of Delaware for their actions in their capacity as our directors and officers.

We must indemnify any person made a party to any threatened, pending, or completed action, suit, or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative, or investigative (“Proceeding”) by reason of the fact that he is or was a director,

against judgments, penalties, fines, settlements and reasonable expenses (including attorney's fees) ("Expenses") actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection with such Proceeding if: (a) he conducted himself in good faith, and: (i) in the case of conduct in his own official capacity with us, he reasonably believed his conduct to be in our best interests, or (ii) in all other cases, he reasonably believes his conduct to be at least not opposed to our best interests; and (b) in the case of any criminal Proceeding, he had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful. We must indemnify any person made a party to any Proceeding by or in the right of us, by reason of the fact that he is or was a director, against reasonable expenses actually incurred by him in connection with such proceeding if he conducted himself in good faith, and: (a) in the case of conduct in his official capacity with us, he reasonably believed his conduct to be in our best interests; or (b) in all other cases, he reasonably believed his conduct to be at least not opposed to our best interests; provided that no such indemnification may be made in respect of any proceeding in which such person shall have been adjudged to be liable to us. No indemnification will be made by unless authorized in the specific case after a determination that indemnification of the director is permissible in the circumstances because he has met the applicable standard of conduct. Reasonable expenses incurred by a director who is party to a proceeding may be paid or reimbursed by us in advance of the final disposition of such Proceeding in certain cases.

We have the power to purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was our director, officer, employee, or agent or is or was serving at our request as an officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, other enterprise, or employee benefit plan against any liability asserted against him and incurred by him in any such capacity or arising out of his status as such, whether or not we would have the power to indemnify him against such liability under the provisions of the amended and restated bylaws.

Delaware Law

Section 145 of the Delaware General Corporation Law provides that a Delaware corporation may indemnify any persons who are, or are threatened to be made, parties to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of such corporation), by reason of the fact that such person was an officer, director, employee or agent of such corporation, or is or was serving at the request of such person as an officer, director, employee or agent of another corporation or enterprise. The indemnity may include expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with such action, suit or proceeding, provided that such person acted in good faith and in a manner he or she reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the corporation's best interests and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe that his or her conduct was illegal. A Delaware corporation may indemnify any persons who are, or are threatened to be made, a party to any threatened, pending or completed action or suit by or in the right of the corporation by reason of the fact that such person was a director, officer, employee or agent of such corporation, or is or was serving at the request of such corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation or enterprise. The indemnity may include expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with the defense or settlement of such action or suit provided such person acted in good faith and in a manner he or she reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the corporation's best interests except that no indemnification is permitted without judicial approval if the officer or director is adjudged to be liable to the corporation. Where an officer or director is successful on the merits or otherwise in the defense of any action referred to above, the corporation must indemnify him or her against the expenses which such officer or director has actually and reasonably incurred. Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws provide for the indemnification of our directors and officers to the fullest extent permitted under the Delaware General Corporation Law.

Section 102(b)(7) of the Delaware General Corporation Law permits a corporation to provide in its certificate of incorporation that a director of the corporation shall not be personally liable to the corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duties as a director, except for liability for any:

- transaction from which the director derives an improper personal benefit;
- act or omission not in good faith or that involves intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law;
- unlawful payment of dividends or redemption of shares; or
- breach of a director's duty of loyalty to the corporation or its stockholders.

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws include such a provision. Expenses incurred by any officer or director in defending any such action, suit or proceeding in advance of its final disposition shall be paid by us upon delivery to us of an undertaking, by or on behalf of such director or officer, to repay all amounts so advanced if it shall ultimately be determined that such director or officer is not entitled to be indemnified by us.

Section 174 of the Delaware General Corporation Law provides, among other things, that a director who willfully or negligently approves of an unlawful payment of dividends or an unlawful stock purchase or redemption may be held liable for such actions. A director who was either absent when the unlawful actions were approved, or dissented at the time, may avoid liability by causing his or her dissent to such actions to be entered in the books containing minutes of the meetings of the board of directors at the time such action occurred or immediately after such absent director receives notice of the unlawful acts.

Indemnification Agreements

As permitted by the Delaware General Corporation Law, we have entered, and intend to continue to enter, into separate indemnification agreements with each of our directors and executive officers, that require us to indemnify such persons against any and all expenses (including attorneys' fees), witness fees, damages, judgments, fines, settlements and other amounts incurred (including expenses of a derivative action) in connection with any action, suit or proceeding, whether actual or threatened, to which any such person may be made a party by reason of the fact that such person is or was a director, an officer or an employee of us or any of our affiliated enterprises, provided that such

person acted in good faith and in a manner such person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to our best interests and, with respect to any criminal proceeding,

ITEM 7. EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION CLAIMED

Not applicable.

ITEM 8. EXHIBITS

See the attached Exhibit Index.

ITEM 9. REQUIRED UNDERTAKINGS

(a) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:

(1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement:

(i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933 (the "Securities Act");

To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the Registration Statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the Registration Statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement; and

(iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the Registration Statement or any material change to such information in the Registration Statement;

Provided, however, that paragraphs (a)(1)(i) and (a)(1)(ii) of this section do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in reports filed with or furnished to the Commission by the registrant pursuant to section 13 or section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") that are incorporated by reference in the registration statement.

That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment (2) shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.

(b)

The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each filing of the Registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act) that is incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial *bona fide* offering thereof.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person (c) of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in South San Francisco, California on November 10, 2015.

TITAN
PHARMACEUTICALS,
INC.

By: /s/ Sunil Bhonsle
Name: Sunil Bhonsle
Title: President

POWER OF ATTORNEY

Each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints Sunil Bhonsle and Marc Rubin, and each of them acting individually and without the other, as his or her true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, with full power of substitution and re-substitution, for him or her and in his or her name, place, and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments (including post-effective amendments, exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith) to this Registration Statement, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Commission, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as he or she might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents, or either of them individually, or their or his substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, this Registration Statement has been signed below by the following persons in the capacities and on November 10, 2015.

Signature

/s/ Marc Rubin
Marc Rubin, M.D.

/s/ Sunil Bhonsle

Title

Executive Chairman

President and Director
(principal executive officer and principal financial officer)

| | |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Sunil Bhonsle | |
| /s/ Joseph A. Akers | Director |
| Joseph A. Akers | |
| | Director |
| Victor J. Bauer, Ph.D. | |
| /s/ Eurelio M. Cavalier | Director |
| Eurelio M. Cavalier | |
| /s/ M. David MacFarlane | Director |
| M. David MacFarlane, Ph.D. | |
| /s/ James R. McNab | Director |
| James R. McNab, Jr. | |
| /s/ Ley S. Smith | Director |
| Ley S. Smith | |
| /s/ Brian E. Crowley | Vice President, Finance |
| Brian E. Crowley | (principal accounting officer) |

EXHIBIT INDEX

| Exhibit Number | Description of Exhibit |
|-----------------------|--|
| 4.1 | Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Registrant, as amended ⁽¹⁾ |
| 4.2 | Certificate of Amendment to the Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Registrant ⁽²⁾ |
| 4.3 | Bylaws of the Registrant ⁽³⁾ |
| 4.4 | Titan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. 2014 Incentive Plan ⁽⁴⁾ |
| 4.5 | Titan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. 2015 Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan ⁽⁵⁾ |
| 5.1* | Opinion of Loeb & Loeb LLP, counsel to the Registrant, regarding the legality of the securities being registered |
| 23.1* | Consent of OUM & Co. LLP |
| 23.2* | Consent of Loeb & Loeb LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1) |
| 24.1* | Power of Attorney (included on signature page hereof) |

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Filed herewith

(1) Incorporated by reference from the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form 10.

(2) Incorporated by reference from the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on September 28, 2015

(3) Incorporated by reference from the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form SB-2 (File No. 33-99386).

(4) Incorporated by reference from the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013.

(5) Incorporated by reference from the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on August 8, 2015