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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 FORM 8-A

FOR REGISTRATION OF CERTAIN CLASSES OF SECURITIES PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OR (g) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Anthera Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 20-1852016

(State of incorporation or organization) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

25801 Industrial Boulevard, Suite B Hayward, California

94545

(Address of principal executive offices)
Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

(Zip Code)

Title of each class to be so registered

Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share

Name of each exchange on which each class is to be registered

The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(c), please check the following box. b

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(d), please check the following box. o

Securities Act registration statement file number to which this form relates: 333-161930

Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN REGISTRATION STATEMENT

Item 1. Description of Registrant s Securities to be Registered.

For a description of the Registrant $\,$ s common stock, \$0.001 par value per share, to be registered hereunder, reference is made to the information set forth under the heading $\,$ Description of Capital Stock $\,$ in the Registrant $\,$ s prospectus that constitutes a part of the Registrant $\,$ s Registration Statement on Form S-1, as amended (File No. 333-161930) (the Registration Statement $\,$), filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act $\,$), which information is hereby incorporated by reference. Any form of prospectus subsequently filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act that constitutes part of the Registration Statement shall be deemed to be incorporated herein by reference.

Item 2. Exhibits.

Under the Instructions as to Exhibits with respect to Form 8-A, no exhibits are required to be filed, because no other securities of the Registrant are registered on The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC and the securities registered hereby are not being registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Exchange Act.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereto duly authorized.

ANTHERA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

Date: February 22, 2010 By: /s/ Paul F. Truex

Paul F. Truex President and Chief Executive Officer