UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): March 4, 2024

AVADEL PHARMACEUTICALS PLC

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ireland (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-37977 (Commission File Number)

98-1341933 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

10 Earlsfort Terrace Dublin 2, Ireland, D02 T380 (Address of principal executive offices)

Not Applicable (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: +353 1 901-5201

Not applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

| Check the appropriate box | below if the Form 8-K fil | ing is intended to simu | iltaneously satisfy the | e filing obligation of t | he registrant under any | of the |
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| following provisions: | | | | | | |

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- П 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:

| | | Name of each exchange on which |
|---|-------------------|--------------------------------|
| Title of each class | Trading Symbol(s) | registered |
| American Depositary Shares* | AVDL | The Nasdaq Global Market |
| Ordinary Shares, nominal value \$0.01 per share** | N/A | |

^{*}American Depositary Shares may be evidenced by American Depositary Receipts. Each American Depositary Share represents one (1) Ordinary Share.

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). | () |
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| | Emerging growth company \square |
| If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period per revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. | d for complying with any new |
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^{**} Not for trading, but only in connection with the listing of American Depositary Shares on The Nasdaq Global Market.

Item 8.01 Other Events

As previously disclosed, the United States District Court for the District of Delaware (the "Delaware Court") held a jury trial commencing on February 26, 2024 regarding the patent claims asserted by Jazz Pharmaceuticals, Inc. ("Jazz") against Avadel CNS Pharmaceuticals, LLC ("Avadel CNS").

On March 4, 2024, the jury ruled in favor of Avadel CNS with respect to one of the contested patents and against Avadel CNS with respect to the other contested patent. The Company intends to defend its position with the pursuit of all options, including filing an appeal to overturn the unfavorable aspect of the jury decision upon final entry of the decision by the Delaware Court.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: March 4, 2024

AVADEL PHARMACEUTICALS PLC

By: /s/ Jerad G. Seurer

Name: Jerad G. Seurer

Title: General Counsel & Corporate Secretary