

BIOCRYST PHARMACEUTICALS INC

Form 8-K

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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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Form 8-K

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**CURRENT REPORT**

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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event Reported): January 5, 2018

**BioCryst Pharmaceuticals, Inc.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

**Delaware**

(State or Other Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation)

**000-23186**

(Commission File Number)

**62-1413174**

(I.R.S. Employer Identification  
Number)

**4505 Emperor Blvd., Suite 200, Durham, North  
Carolina 27703**

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

**(919) 859-1302**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(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:

- [ ☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)  
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[ ☐ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)  
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[ ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))  
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[ ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))  
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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (17 CFR §230.405) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR §240.12b-2). 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. ☐

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**Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.**

On January 5, 2018, BioCryst Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (the “Company”) announced that it has advanced a program exploring activin receptor-like kinase-2 inhibitors for treatment of Fibrodysplasia Ossificans Progressiva (“FOP”). IND-enabling nonclinical development of optimized lead candidates BCX9250 and BCX9499 has been initiated with the goal of progressing to Phase 1 clinical trials in the first half of 2019.

On January 5, 2018, the Company issued a news release announcing the events described in this Item 7.01. A copy of the news release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information furnished in this Item 7.01, including Exhibit 99.1, is not deemed “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, is not subject to the liabilities of that section and is not deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

**Forward-Looking Statements**

This Current Report on Form 8-K contains forward-looking statements, including statements regarding future results, performance or achievements. These statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which may cause the Company’s actual results, performance or achievements to be materially different from any future results, performances or achievements expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. These statements reflect our current views with respect to future events and are based on assumptions and are subject to risks and uncertainties. Given these uncertainties, you should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. Some of the factors that could affect the forward-looking statements contained herein include: that developing any FOP drug candidate may take longer or may be more expensive than planned; that ongoing and future preclinical and clinical development of FOP candidates may not have positive results; that the Company may not be able to enroll the required number of subjects in planned clinical trials of product candidates; that the Company may not advance human clinical trials with product candidates as expected; that the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and European Medicines Agency may require additional studies beyond the studies planned for product candidates, or may not provide regulatory clearances which may result in delay of planned clinical trials, or may impose a clinical hold with respect to such product candidate, or withhold market approval for product candidates; that the Company may not be able to continue development of ongoing and future development programs; that such development programs may never result in future products. Please refer to the documents the Company files periodically with the Securities and Exchange Commission, specifically the Company’s most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, and Current Reports on Form 8-K, all of which identify important factors that could cause the actual results to differ materially from those contained in the Company’s projections and forward-looking statements.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

<b><u>Exhibit</u></b> <b><u>No.</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
<u>99.1</u>	Press Release dated January 5, 2018 entitled “BioCryst Advancing Potential Treatment for Rare and Severely Debilitating Fibrodysplasia Ossificans Progressiva”

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**SIGNATURE**

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.

**BioCryst Pharmaceuticals, Inc.**

Date: January 5, 2018

By: /s/ Alane Barnes  
Alane Barnes  
Vice President, General Counsel,  
and Corporate Secretary