LA JOLLA PHARMACEUTICAL CO Form 8-K May 31, 2012

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): May 29, 2012

LA JOLLA PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of

0-24274 (Commission 33-0361285 (I.R.S. Employer

incorporation or organization)

File Number)

Identification No.)

4370 La Jolla Village Drive, Suite 400, San Diego, California 92122

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (858) 452-6600

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):

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On May 29, 2012, La Jolla Pharmaceutical Company received from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office an Issue Notification regarding U.S. Patent Application No. 13/357,325. The patent application was issued as U.S. Patent No. 8,187,642 on May 29, 2012 and will expire on March 28, 2025.

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.

Date: May 31, 2012

LA JOLLA PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANY

By: /s/ George Tidmarsh Name: George Tidmarsh

Title: President and Chief Executive Officer