

BIOCRYST PHARMACEUTICALS INC

Form 8-K

February 24, 2011

**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): February 21, 2011

BioCryst Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

*(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)*

000-23186

*(Commission
File Number)*

62-1413174

*(IRS Employer
Identification No.)*

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

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code): (919) 859-1302

(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:

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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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Item 8.01 Other Events

In September 2010 the Company disclosed results from the forodesine pivotal study in CTCL, interim results from the Phase 2 exploratory study in CLL, and the Company's intention to determine if there is interest by a partner in the US to continue with further development, regulatory filing and commercialization. To date, the Company has not found an interested partner. The Company shared this information with its partner, Mundipharma, along with the Company's decision not to continue further development of forodesine in the US. Mundipharma has expressed disappointment regarding the development of forodesine and this outcome. On February 21, 2011 we received a letter from Mundipharma's legal counsel notifying us that they intended to utilize the dispute resolution provisions of our agreement with them, which includes meetings of senior management and the later possibility of arbitration.

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 thereunto duly authorized.

BioCryst Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

By: /s/ Alane Barnes

Name: Alane Barnes

Title: General Counsel, Corporate
Secretary

Date: February 24, 2011