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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): March 1, 2017**

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**VANDA PHARMACEUTICALS INC.**  
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

**001-34186**  
(Commission  
File No.)

**03-0491827**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**2200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
Suite 300E  
Washington, DC 20037**  
(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (202) 734-3400**

**Not Applicable**  
(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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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 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

(e) On March 1, 2017, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors (the “Compensation Committee”) of Vanda Pharmaceuticals Inc. (the “Company”) awarded 2016 annual bonuses and approved 2017 annual base salaries and 2017 bonus target amounts for the Company’s named executive officers. Prior to approving the foregoing, the Compensation Committee reviewed an analysis of the Company’s executive compensation compared to the Company’s peer group conducted by Willis Towers Watson, a compensation consultant engaged by the Compensation Committee.

As part of the annual compensation review, the Committee also approved the promotion of James P. Kelly, the Company’s Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, to Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer.

The Compensation Committee awarded bonuses for performance for the twelve-month period ended December 31, 2016, in the amounts set forth opposite the names of the executive officers listed below.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>2016 Bonus</u>
Mihael Polymeropoulos, M.D.	President and Chief Executive Officer	\$1,483,200
James P. Kelly	Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer & Treasurer	\$202,800
Paolo Baroldi, M.D.	Senior Vice President, Chief Medical Officer	\$177,560
Richard L. Gulino	Senior Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary	\$195,000
Gian Piero Reverberi	Senior Vice President, Chief Commercial Officer	207,000 (CHF)

The Compensation Committee approved 2017 annual base salaries and 2017 bonus target amounts for the twelve-month period ending December 31, 2017, in the amounts set forth opposite the names of the executive officers listed below.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>2017 Base Salary</u>	<u>2017 Target Bonus</u>
Mihael Polymeropoulos, M.D.	President and Chief Executive Officer	\$675,000	80% of 2017 Base Salary
James P. Kelly	Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer & Treasurer	\$465,000	50% of 2017 Base Salary
Paolo Baroldi, M.D.	Senior Vice President, Chief Medical Officer	\$398,000	40% of 2017 Base Salary
Richard L. Gulino	Senior Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary	\$345,000	40% of 2017 Base Salary
Gian Piero Reverberi	Senior Vice President, Chief Commercial Officer	474,000 (CHF)	45% of 2017 Base Salary

In addition, the Compensation Committee granted (i) options to purchase shares of the Company’s common stock at an exercise price equal to \$14.50 per share, the closing price of the Company’s common stock on the Nasdaq Global Market on March 1, 2017 and (ii) restricted stock unit (“RSU”) awards under the Company’s 2016 Equity Incentive Plan to its named executive officers in the amounts set forth opposite the names of the named executive officers listed below. The options will vest in equal monthly installments over a period of four years from the date of the grant. The RSUs for all named executive officers other than Dr. Polymeropoulos will vest in four equal annual installments beginning on March 1, 2018. The RSUs for Dr. Polymeropoulos will vest as follows: 125,000 shares will vest on March 1, 2018 and 75,000 shares will vest on March 1, 2019.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Number of Shares Underlying Option Grant</u>	<u>Number of Shares Underlying RSU Award</u>
Mihael Polymeropoulos, M.D.	President and Chief Executive Officer	275,000	200,000
James P. Kelly	Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer & Treasurer	70,000	70,000
Richard L. Gulino	Senior Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary	70,000	30,000
Gian Piero Reverberi	Senior Vice President, Chief Commercial Officer	70,000	30,000

**SIGNATURES**

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

Dated: March 6, 2017

VANDA PHARMACEUTICALS INC.

By: /s/ RICHARD L. GULINO

Name: Richard L. Gulino

Title: Senior Vice President, General Counsel