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

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of March 2016

Commission File Number: **001-32001**

Aptose Biosciences Inc.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

5955 Airport Road, Suite 228

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(Address of principal executive office)

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On March 3, 2016, the Registrant issued a press release, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

(c) Exhibit 99.1. Press release dated March 3, 2016

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, thereunto duly authorized.

Aptose Biosciences Inc.
(Registrant)

Date: March 3, 2016

/s/ Gregory K. Chow
Gregory K. Chow
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Aptose to Participate in Upcoming Investor Conferences

SAN DIEGO and TORONTO, March 03, 2016 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Aptose Biosciences Inc. (NASDAQ:APTO) (TSX:APS), a clinical-stage company developing new therapeutics and molecular diagnostics that target the underlying mechanisms of cancer, today announced that William G. Rice, Ph.D., Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer, will present at the following upcoming conferences:

- **Cowen & Company 36th Annual Healthcare Conference**

Aptose's corporate presentation is scheduled to take place at 2:00 p.m. ET on Monday, March 7, 2016 in Boston, MA. A corresponding live webcast of the presentation can be accessed by visiting:

<http://wsw.com/webcast/cowen30/aps.to>

- **28th Annual ROTH Conference**

Aptose's corporate presentation is scheduled to take place at 10:30 a.m. ET on Monday, March 14, 2016 in Dana Point, CA. A corresponding live webcast of the presentation can be accessed by visiting:

<http://wsw.com/webcast/roth30/apto>

The audio webcasts will be archived shortly after the live event and will be available for 90 days through the Aptose website at www.aptose.com.

About Aptose Biosciences

Aptose Biosciences is a clinical-stage biotechnology company committed to discovering and developing personalized therapies addressing unmet medical needs in oncology. Aptose is advancing new therapeutics focused on novel cellular targets on the leading edge of cancer research coupled with validated biomarkers to identify the optimal patient population for our products. The company's small molecule cancer therapeutics pipeline includes products designed to provide additive or synergistic efficacy with existing anti-cancer therapies and regimens without overlapping toxicities. Aptose Biosciences Inc. is listed on NASDAQ under the symbol APTO and on the TSX under the symbol APS. For further information, please visit www.aptose.com.

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