CELL THERAPEUTICS INC Form 8-K March 23, 2009

# **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): March 23, 2009

# CELL THERAPEUTICS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Washington (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 001-12465 (Commission File Number) 91-1533912 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

501 Elliott Avenue West, Suite 400

Seattle, Washington 98119

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (206) 282-7100

#### Not applicable

 $(Former\ name\ or\ former\ address, if\ changed\ since\ last\ report).$ 

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- " Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- " Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

The information provided pursuant to this Item 7.01 shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Exchange Act ) or incorporated by reference into those filings of the Company that provide for the incorporation of all reports and documents filed by the Company under the Exchange Act. The information furnished pursuant to this Item 7.01 shall instead be deemed furnished.

Pursuant to a request from CONSOB, the Italian securities regulatory authority, Cell Therapeutics, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release in Italy on March 23, 2009 (the Press Release), relating to certain requested forecasting and strategic objective assumptions relating to pixantrone. An English translation of the Press Release is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits. (d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 English Translation of Press Release of Cell Therapeutics, Inc. dated March 23, 2009.

#### **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.

CELL THERAPEUTICS, INC.

Date: March 23, 2009

By: /s/ Louis A. Bianco
Louis A. Bianco

Executive Vice President, Finance and Administration

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