UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 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): January 14, 2021

Onconova Therapeutics, Inc.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization) **001-36020** (Commission File Number) 22-3627252 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

375 Pheasant Run

Newtown, PA 18940

(267) 759-3680 (Address, Including Zip Code, and Telephone Number, Including Area Code, of Registrant's Principal Executive Offices)

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:

□ 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 (17CFR 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))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per	ONTX	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC
share		
Common Stock Warrants	ONTXW	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company \Box

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

(b) On January 14, 2021, Richard C. Woodman, MD, Senior Vice President, Chief Medical Officer of Onconova Therapeutics, Inc. (the "Company"), resigned from the Company effective January 15, 2021 to assume a position with another company. The Company wishes Dr. Woodman well, waived the notice period required under his employment agreement, and thanked Dr. Woodman for his scientific contributions and leadership setting the foundation with the Company's President, CEO and former Chief Medical Officer Steven M. Fruchtman, MD for the ongoing research and development of the Company's compounds.

SIGNATURE

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: January 15, 2021

Onconova Therapeutics, Inc.

By: /s/ MARK GUERIN

Name: Mark Guerin Title: Chief Financial Officer