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): January 13, 2020

ARDELYX, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 001-36485 (Commission File Number) 26-1303944 (IRS Employer Identification Number)

34175 Ardenwood Blvd. Fremont, CA 94555

(Address of principal executive offices, including Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (510) 745-1700

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 (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))

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

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. \Box

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 \$0.0001 | ARDX | The Nasdaq Global Market |

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On January 13, 2020, Ardelyx, Inc. (the "Company") announced that as of December 31, 2019, the Company had approximately \$247.5 million in cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments, and that the Company currently expects that its cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments are sufficient to fund the Company's operations until early 2022 based on its current operating plans.

This information furnished under this Item 2.02 shall not be considered "filed" under the Securities Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), nor shall it be incorporated by reference into any future filings under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or under the Exchange Act unless the Company expressly sets forth in such future filing that such information is to be considered "filed" or incorporated by reference therein.

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.

Date: January 13, 2020

ARDELYX, INC.

By: /s/ Mark Kaufmann

Mark Kaufmann Chief Commercial Officer