

CURIS INC  
Form 8-K  
June 13, 2011

**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): June 13, 2011**

**Curis, Inc.**

**(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)**

**Delaware**  
**(State or Other Jurisdiction)**

**000- 30347**  
**(Commission)**

**04-3505116**  
**(IRS Employer)**

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(State of Incorporation)

(File Number)

(Identification No.)

**4 Maguire Road, Lexington, MA**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**02421**  
(Zip Code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (617) 503-6500**

**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):

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- ..  Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 1.01. Entry into Material Definitive Agreement.**

On June 13, 2011, Curis, Inc. (the Company ) entered into an At Market Issuance Sales Agreement (the Agreement ) with McNicoll, Lewis & Vlak LLC ( MLV ), pursuant to which the Company may issue and sell shares of its common stock, \$0.01 par value per share, having an aggregate offering price of up to \$20,000,000 (the Shares ) from time to time through MLV (the Offering ). Also on June 13, 2011, the Company filed a prospectus supplement with the Securities and Exchange Commission in connection with the Offering (the Prospectus Supplement ).

Upon delivery of a placement notice and subject to the terms and conditions of the Agreement, MLV may sell the common stock by methods deemed to be an at-the-market offering as defined in Rule 415 promulgated under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act ), including sales made directly on The NASDAQ Global Market, on any other existing trading market for the common stock or to or through a market maker. With the Company's prior written approval, MLV may also sell the common stock by any other method permitted by law, including in privately negotiated transactions. The Company or MLV may suspend or terminate the offering of common stock upon notice and subject to other conditions. MLV will act as sales agent on a commercially reasonable best efforts basis consistent with its normal trading and sales practices and applicable state and federal law, rules and regulations and the rules of NASDAQ.

The Company will pay MLV a commission equal to 3.0% of the gross sales price per share sold. The Company has agreed to provide indemnification and contribution to MLV against certain civil liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act.

The foregoing summary of the material terms of the Agreement is qualified by reference to the full text of the Agreement, which is filed herewith as Exhibit 1.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr LLP, counsel to the Company, has issued an opinion to the Company, dated June 13, 2011, regarding the legality of the Shares. A copy of the opinion as to legality is filed as Exhibit 5.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The shares of common stock to be sold under the Agreement are registered pursuant to an effective shelf Registration Statement on Form S-3 (Registration No. 333-171407) and the Prospectus Supplement. This Current Report on Form 8-K shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of any offer to buy the securities discussed herein, nor shall there be any offer, solicitation or sale of the securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of such state.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

See Exhibit Index attached hereto.

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.

Date: June 13, 2011

By: /s/ MICHAEL P. GRAY  
Michael P. Gray

Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

**Exhibit**

| <b>No.</b> | <b>Description</b>   |
|------------|--|
| 1.1        | At Market Issuance Sales Agreement, dated as of June 13, 2011, by and between the Company and McNicoll, Lewis & Vlax LLC |
| 5.1        | Opinion of Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr LLP   |
| 23.1       | Consent of Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1)   |