

SEATTLE GENETICS INC /WA  
Form 8-K  
December 16, 2016

**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): December 14, 2016**

**Seattle Genetics, Inc.**

**(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)**

**Delaware**  
**(State or other jurisdiction of**  
**incorporation or organization)**

**0-32405**  
**(Commission**  
**File Number)**  
**21823 30<sup>th</sup> Drive SE**

**91-1874389**  
**(I.R.S. Employer**  
**Identification No.)**

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**Bothell, Washington 98021**

**(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)**

**(425) 527-4000**

**(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)**

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)

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

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

On December 14, 2016, John P. McLaughlin notified the Company of his decision to resign as a member of the Board of Directors (the Board ) of Seattle Genetics, Inc. (the Company ), which resignation was made effective as of the close of business on December 16, 2016. Mr. McLaughlin indicated that he is resigning from the Board so that he can focus on his current responsibilities as President and Chief Executive Officer of PDL BioPharma, Inc., and that his decision to resign was not the result of any disagreement with the Company, its management or the Board. In connection with Mr. McLaughlin s resignation from the Board, the Board appointed Daniel G. Welch, a current independent director, to the Audit Committee of the Board.

**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 hereunto duly authorized.

**SEATTLE GENETICS, INC.**

Date: December 16, 2016

By: /s/ Clay B. Siegall  
Clay B. Siegall  
President and Chief Executive Officer