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**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): November 14, 2022

**PACIRA BIOSCIENCES, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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

**001-35060**  
(Commission File Number)

**51-0619477**  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**5401 West Kennedy Boulevard, Suite 890  
Tampa, Florida 33609**  
(Address and Zip Code of Principal Executive Offices)

**(813) 553-6680**  
(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:

- 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))

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

Title of each class	Trading symbol	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	PCRX	Nasdaq Global Select Market

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

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.

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**Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On November 14, 2022, Pacira BioSciences, Inc. issued a press release announcing its preliminary unaudited net product sales for the month ended October 31, 2022. The full text of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The information in this Item 2.02 and Exhibit 99.1 attached hereto shall not be deemed “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

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

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	<a href="#">Press Release dated November 14, 2022.</a>
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (Formatted as Inline XBRL)

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**NEWS RELEASE**

**Pacira BioSciences Reports Preliminary Net Product Sales of \$54.9 Million for October 2022**

-- EXPAREL average daily sales for October 2022 were 106 percent of October 2021 --

**TAMPA, FL, November 14, 2022** - Pacira BioSciences, Inc. (Nasdaq: PCRX), the industry leader in its commitment to non-opioid pain management and regenerative health solutions, today reported preliminary unaudited net product sales of \$54.9 million for the month of October 2022. The company's net product sales include EXPAREL® (bupivacaine liposome injectable suspension), ZILRETTA® (triamcinolone acetonide extended-release injectable suspension), and the iovera° system. The company began recognizing sales of ZILRETTA in November 2021 after completing its acquisition of Flexion Therapeutics, Inc.

"We continue to execute from a position of financial strength having recently reported adjusted EBITDA of \$55 million in the third quarter of 2022 as EXPAREL continues to drive significant and durable operating cash flows. We remain well positioned for near- and long-term value creation as we grow revenue through increased market penetration, expansion into new indications, and enhanced reimbursement while simultaneously advancing new product development opportunities," said Dave Stack, chairman and chief executive officer of Pacira BioSciences.

"Even with continued near-term volatility in the marketplace, we remain confident in steady double-digit growth potential for EXPAREL and our entire portfolio of non-opioid pain management solutions as we expect our newly announced partnerships, such as our agreement with Sevāredent for oral and maxillofacial procedures, to take hold and begin to deliver on the promise of these collaborations. Moving forward, we remain steadfast in executing our strategy and look forward to 2022 being another record year for Pacira," continued Mr. Stack.

**October 2022 Preliminary Net Product Sales Highlights**

- EXPAREL net product sales were \$45.0 million, compared with \$42.5 million for October 2021. The company also reports average daily growth rates for EXPAREL to account for differences in the number of selling days per reporting period. EXPAREL average daily sales for the month of October 2022 were 106 percent of October 2021. There were 21 EXPAREL selling days in October 2022 and October 2021.
- ZILRETTA net product sales were \$8.6 million for October 2022. ZILRETTA sales in October 2021 occurred prior to the completion of the company's acquisition of Flexion in November 2021.
- iovera° net product sales were \$1.3 million for October 2022, compared with \$1.2 million for October 2021.

Since early 2020, the company's revenues have been impacted by COVID-19 and pandemic-related challenges that included the significant postponement or suspension in the scheduling of elective surgical procedures due to public health guidance and government directives. While the degree of impact has diminished during the course of the pandemic due to the introduction of vaccines and the lessening of elective surgery restrictions, certain pandemic-related operational challenges persist. It remains unclear how long it will take the elective surgery market to normalize or if restrictions on elective procedures will recur due to future COVID-19 variants or otherwise.

The company is not providing 2022 revenue or gross margin guidance at this time given the continued uncertainty around labor shortages, COVID-19, and the pace of recovery for the elective surgery market. To provide greater transparency, the company is reporting monthly intra-quarter unaudited net product sales for EXPAREL, ZILRETTA, and iovera<sup>o</sup> until it has gained enough visibility around the impacts of COVID-19. The company is also providing weekly EXPAREL utilization and elective surgery data within its investor presentation, which is accessible at [investor.pacira.com](http://investor.pacira.com). Pacira completed its acquisition of Flexion Therapeutics on November 19, 2021, which added ZILRETTA to its commercial offering.

The preliminary net product sales included in this press release are preliminary, unaudited and subject to change as certain required adjustments for product discount and rebate programs are finalized after the end of the quarter. This financial information does not present all information necessary for an understanding of the company's fourth quarter and full-year 2022 financial results. Pacira expects to report its complete financial results for the fourth quarter and full-year 2022 in the first quarter of 2023.

### **About Pacira BioSciences**

Pacira BioSciences, Inc. (Nasdaq: PCRX) is committed to providing a non-opioid option to as many patients as possible to redefine the role of opioids as rescue therapy only. The company is also developing innovative interventions to address debilitating conditions involving the sympathetic nervous system, such as cardiac electrical storm, chronic pain, and spasticity. Pacira has three commercial-stage non-opioid treatments: EXPAREL<sup>®</sup> (bupivacaine liposome injectable suspension), a long-acting local analgesic currently approved for infiltration, fascial plane block, and as an interscalene brachial plexus nerve block for postsurgical pain management; ZILRETTA<sup>®</sup> (triamcinolone acetonide extended-release injectable suspension), an extended-release, intra-articular injection indicated for the management of osteoarthritis knee pain; and iovera<sup>o</sup><sup>®</sup>, a novel, handheld device for delivering immediate, long-acting, drug-free pain control using precise, controlled doses of cold temperature to a targeted nerve. To learn more about Pacira, including the corporate mission to reduce overreliance on opioids, visit [www.pacira.com](http://www.pacira.com).

### **About EXPAREL<sup>®</sup>**

EXPAREL (bupivacaine liposome injectable suspension) is indicated in patients 6 years of age and older for single-dose infiltration to produce postsurgical local analgesia, and in adults as an interscalene brachial plexus nerve block to produce postsurgical regional analgesia. Safety and efficacy have not been established in other nerve blocks. The product combines bupivacaine with multivesicular liposomes, a proven product delivery technology that delivers medication over a desired time period.

EXPAREL represents the first and only multivesicular liposome local anesthetic that can be utilized in the peri- or postsurgical setting. By utilizing the multivesicular liposome platform, a single dose of EXPAREL delivers bupivacaine over time, providing significant reductions in cumulative pain scores with up to a 78 percent decrease in opioid consumption; the clinical benefit of the opioid reduction was not demonstrated. Additional information is available at [www.EXPAREL.com](http://www.EXPAREL.com).

### **Important Safety Information about EXPAREL for Patients**

EXPAREL should not be used in obstetrical paracervical block anesthesia. In studies in adults where EXPAREL was injected into a wound, the most common side effects were nausea, constipation, and vomiting. In studies in adults where EXPAREL was injected near a nerve, the most common side effects were nausea, fever, and constipation. In the study where EXPAREL was given to children, the most common side effects were nausea, vomiting, constipation, low blood pressure, low number of red blood cells, muscle twitching, blurred vision, itching, and rapid heartbeat. EXPAREL can cause a temporary loss of feeling and/or loss of muscle movement. How much and how long the loss of feeling and/or muscle movement depends on where and how much of EXPAREL was injected and may last for up to 5 days. EXPAREL is not recommended to be used in patients younger than 6 years old for injection into the wound, for patients younger than 18 years old for injection near a nerve, and/or in pregnant women. Tell your health care provider if you or your child has liver disease, since this may affect how the active ingredient (bupivacaine) in EXPAREL is eliminated from the body. EXPAREL should not be injected into the spine, joints, or veins. The active ingredient in EXPAREL can affect the nervous system and the cardiovascular system; may cause an allergic reaction; may cause damage if injected into the joints; and can cause a rare blood disorder.

### **About ZILRETTA®**

On October 6, 2017, ZILRETTA (triamcinolone acetonide extended-release injectable suspension) was approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration as the first and only extended-release intra-articular therapy for patients confronting osteoarthritis (OA)- related knee pain. ZILRETTA employs proprietary microsphere technology combining triamcinolone acetonide—a commonly administered, short-acting corticosteroid—with a poly lactic-co-glycolic acid (PLGA) matrix to provide extended pain relief. The pivotal Phase 3 trial on which the approval of ZILRETTA was based showed that ZILRETTA significantly reduced OA knee pain for 12 weeks, with some people experiencing pain relief through Week 16. Learn more at [www.zilretta.com](http://www.zilretta.com).

### **Indication and Select Important Safety Information for ZILRETTA**

**Indication:** ZILRETTA is indicated as an intra-articular injection for the management of OA pain of the knee. **Limitation of Use:** The efficacy and safety of repeat administration of ZILRETTA have not been demonstrated.

**Contraindication:** ZILRETTA is contraindicated in patients who are hypersensitive to triamcinolone acetonide, corticosteroids or any components of the product.

## Warnings and Precautions:

- **Intra-articular Use Only:** ZILRETTA has not been evaluated and should not be administered by epidural, intrathecal, intravenous, intraocular, intramuscular, intradermal, or subcutaneous routes. ZILRETTA should not be considered safe for epidural or intrathecal administration.
- **Serious Neurologic Adverse Reactions with Epidural and Intrathecal Administration:** Serious neurologic events have been reported following epidural or intrathecal corticosteroid administration. Corticosteroids are not approved for this use.
- **Hypersensitivity reactions:** Serious reactions have been reported with triamcinolone acetonide injection. Institute appropriate care if an anaphylactic reaction occurs.
- **Joint infection and damage:** A marked increase in joint pain, joint swelling, restricted motion, fever and malaise may suggest septic arthritis. If this occurs, conduct appropriate evaluation and if confirmed, institute appropriate antimicrobial treatment.

**Adverse Reactions:** The most commonly reported adverse reactions (incidence  $\geq 1\%$ ) in clinical studies included sinusitis, cough, and contusions.

**Please see ZILRETTALabel.com for full Prescribing Information.**

## About iovera<sup>®</sup>

The iovera<sup>®</sup> system uses the body's natural response to cold to treat peripheral nerves and immediately reduce pain without the use of drugs. Treated nerves are temporarily stopped from sending pain signals for a period of time, followed by a restoration of function. Treatment with iovera<sup>®</sup> treatment works by applying targeted cold to a peripheral nerve. A precise cold zone is formed under the skin that is cold enough to immediately prevent the nerve from sending pain signals without causing damage to surrounding structures. The effect on the nerve is temporary, providing pain relief until the nerve regenerates and function is restored. Treatment with iovera<sup>®</sup> does not include injection of any substance, opioid, or any other drug. The effect is immediate and can last up to 90 days. The iovera<sup>®</sup> system is not indicated for treatment of central nervous system tissue. Additional information is available at [www.iovera.com](http://www.iovera.com).

## Important Safety Information for iovera<sup>®</sup>

The iovera<sup>®</sup> system is contraindicated for use in patients with the following: Cryoglobulinemia; Paroxysmal cold hemoglobinuria; cold urticaria; Raynaud's disease; open and/or infected wounds at or near the treatment line. Potential complications: As with any surgical treatment that uses needle-based therapy, there is potential for temporary site-specific reactions, including but not limited to: bruising (ecchymosis); swelling (edema); inflammation and/or redness (erythema); pain and/or tenderness; altered sensation (localized dysesthesia). Typically, these reactions resolve with no physician intervention. Patients may help the healing process by applying ice packs to the affected sites, and by taking over-the-counter analgesics.

## Forward-Looking Statements

*Any statements in this press release about Pacira's future expectations, plans, trends, outlook, projections and prospects, and other statements containing the words "believes," "anticipates," "plans," "estimates," "expects," "intends," "may," "will," "would," "could," "can" and similar expressions, constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements include, without limitation, statements related to the acquisition of Flexion Therapeutics, Inc. and the costs and benefits thereof, our growth and future operating results and trends, our strategy, plans, objectives, expectations (financial or otherwise) and intentions, future financial results and growth potential, anticipated product portfolio, development programs, strategic alliances, patent terms and intellectual property and other statements that are not historical facts. For this purpose, any statement that is not a statement of historical fact should be considered a forward-looking statement. We cannot assure you that our estimates, assumptions and expectations will prove to have been correct. Actual results may differ materially from those indicated by such forward-looking statements as a result of various important factors, including risks relating to, among others: risks associated with acquisitions, such as the risk that the businesses will not be integrated successfully, that such integration may be more difficult, time-consuming or costly than expected or that the expected benefits of the transaction will not occur; the possibility that if we do not achieve the perceived benefits of the Flexion acquisition as rapidly or to the extent anticipated by financial analysts or investors, the market price of our shares could decline; the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on elective surgeries, our manufacturing and supply chain, global and United States economic conditions, and our business, including our revenues, financial condition and results of operations; the success of our sales and manufacturing efforts in support of the commercialization of EXPAREL, ZILRETTA and iovera<sup>o</sup> and the rate and degree of market acceptance of EXPAREL, ZILRETTA and iovera<sup>o</sup>; the size and growth of the potential markets for EXPAREL, ZILRETTA and iovera<sup>o</sup> and our ability to serve those markets; our plans to expand the use of EXPAREL, ZILRETTA and iovera<sup>o</sup> to additional indications and opportunities, and the timing and success of any related clinical trials for EXPAREL, ZILRETTA and iovera<sup>o</sup>; the commercial success of EXPAREL, ZILRETTA and iovera<sup>o</sup>; the related timing and success of United States Food and Drug Administration supplemental New Drug Applications, and premarket notification 510(k)s; the related timing and success of European Medicines Agency Marketing Authorization Applications; our plans to evaluate, develop and pursue additional product candidates utilizing our proprietary multivesicular liposome (pMVL) drug delivery technology; the approval of the commercialization of our products in other jurisdictions; clinical trials in support of an existing or potential pMVL-based product; our commercialization and marketing capabilities, our ability to successfully construct an additional EXPAREL manufacturing suite in San Diego, California; our ability to successfully complete a ZILRETTA capacity expansion project in Swindon, England; the outcome of any litigation; the ability to successfully integrate Flexion or any future acquisitions into our existing business; the recoverability of our deferred tax assets; and assumptions associated with contingent consideration payments; and factors discussed in the "Risk Factors" of our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K and in other filings that we periodically make with the Securities and Exchange Commission. In addition, the forward-looking statements included in this press release represent our views as of the date of this press release. Important factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those indicated or implied by forward-looking statements, and as such we anticipate that subsequent events and developments will cause our views to change. However, while we may elect to update these forward-looking statements at some point in the future, we specifically disclaim any obligation to do so, except as required by law.*



*These forward-looking statements should not be relied upon as representing our views as of any date subsequent to the date of this press release.*

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