Aeterna Zentaris Inc. Form 6-K October 17, 2012

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13A-16 OR 15D-16 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of October 2012

Commission file number 0-30752

AETERNA ZENTARIS INC.

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99.1 Material Change Report of the registrant dated October 17, 2012.

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, thereunto duly authorized.

AETERNA ZENTARIS INC.

<u>Date: October 17, 2012</u> By: /s/ Dennis Turpin

Dennis Turpin

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer