

MANNKIND CORP  
Form 8-K  
December 14, 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): December 13, 2011

**MannKind Corporation**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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

**000-50865**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**13-3607736**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

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**28903 North Avenue Paine**

**Valencia, California**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (661) 775-5300**

**91355**  
(Zip Code)

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K 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 8.01. Other Events.**

On December 13, 2011, MannKind Corporation issued a press release announcing a final resolution of the arbitration proceedings initiated by John Ardit, MannKind's former Senior Director - GCP - Regulatory Affairs.

In connection with the resolution of the matter, Mr. Ardit withdrew his claims against MannKind for violation of the New Jersey Conscientious Employee Protection Act, wrongful discharge, breach of contract, breach of the implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing, intentional infliction of emotional distress and defamation. In return, MannKind withdrew its claims against Mr. Ardit. Neither party paid any monetary consideration to the other party in connection with the resolution of the arbitration proceedings.

A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report and is incorporated herein by reference.

**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Company has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**MANNKIND CORPORATION**

By: /s/ David Thomson

Name: David Thomson, Ph.D., J.D.

Title: Corporate Vice President, General Counsel

and Secretary

Dated: December 14, 2011