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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): June 22, 2005

## **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.)

28903 North Avenue Paine
Valencia, California
(Address of principal executive offices)

**91355** (Zip Code)

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

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

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## Item 8.01 Other Events.

On June 22, 2005, we filed an answer and cross-complaint in the Superior Court for the State of California for the County of Los Angeles in the matter of *Wayman Wendell Cheatham, M.D. v. MannKind Corporation*, Case No. BC333845. In our answer, we deny each and every allegation of the complaint and assert a number of defenses. In our cross-complaint, we assert a number of claims against Dr. Cheatham, including libel per se and trade libel, and seek general and special damages and punitive damages.

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## **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.

## MANNKIND CORPORATION

By: /s/ DAVID THOMSON

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

Title: Corporate Vice President, General

Counsel and Secretary

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Dated: June 22, 2005