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

May 4, 2021

Date of Report

(Date of earliest event reported)

DURECT CORPORATION

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

Emerging growth company \square

000-31615 (Commission File Number) 94-3297098 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

10260 Bubb Road
Cupertino, CA 95014
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

(408) 777-1417 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

Co	<u>Title of Each Class</u> mmon Stock \$0.0001 par value per share Preferred Share Purchase Rights	<u>Trading Symbol</u> DRRX	Name of Each Exchange on Which Registered The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC (The Nasdaq Capital Market)						
Secu	rities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the A	Act:							
	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))								
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(§ 230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§ 240.12b-2 of this chapter).

nplying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. \Box							

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On May 4, 2021, DURECT Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("DURECT"), announced its first quarter 2021 financial results. This Current Report is filed to disclose nonpublic information required to be disclosed by Regulation FD. A copy of DURECT's press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and incorporated by reference herein.

The information concerning financial results in this Form 8-K and in Exhibit 99.1 shall not be deemed to be "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section. The information concerning financial results in this Form 8-K and in Exhibit 99.1 shall not be incorporated into any registration statement or other document filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission by the company, whether made before or after the date hereof, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release of DURECT Corporation dated May 4, 2021

104 Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

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.

DURECT Corporation

Date: May 4, 2021 By: /s/ Michael H. Arenberg

Michael H. Arenberg Chief Financial Officer