# 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

June 15, 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) 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)

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)

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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:

<u>Title of Each Class</u> Common Stock \$0.0001 par value per share <u>Trading Symbol</u> DRRX Name of Each Exchange on Which Registered The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC (The Nasdaq Capital 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 $\Box$

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.  $\Box$ 

### Item 5.03 Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.

At the 2021 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the "Annual Meeting") of DURECT Corporation (the "Company"), held online via live audio webcast on June 15, 2021, the Company's stockholders approved an amendment to the Company's Certificate of Incorporation to increase the number of authorized shares of common stock from 350,000,000 to 600,000,000 (the "Charter Amendment"). The Company filed the Charter Amendment with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware, and it became effective on June 15, 2021.

The foregoing description of the Charter Amendment is qualified in its entirety by the full text of the Charter Amendment, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 3.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 5.07 Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

At the Annual Meeting, there were 179,024,601 shares represented to vote either in person or by proxy, or 78.7 % of the outstanding shares, which represented a quorum. The final results of voting for each matter submitted to a vote of stockholders at the Annual Meeting were as follows:

#### Proposal 1: Election of Directors

Mohammad Azab, James E. Brown and Gail M. Farfel were elected as Class III directors for a term of three years. The voting for each director was as follows:

	<u>For</u>	Withheld	<b>Broker Non-Votes</b>
Mohammad Azab	121,181,545	3,115,264	54,727,792
James E. Brown	118,079,208	6,217,601	54,727,792
Gail M. Farfel	117,513,242	6,783,567	54,727,792

# Proposal 2: An amendment to our Certificate of Incorporation to increase the number of authorized shares of common stock from 350,000,000 to 600,000,000

The amendment to our Certificate of Incorporation was approved based upon the following votes:

For	<u>Against</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<b>Broker Non-Votes</b>
153,817,635	24,197,183	1,009,783	0

#### Proposal 3: Say on Pay - An advisory vote on the approval of executive compensation

The Company's compensation of the Company's Named Executive Officers was approved on a non-binding, advisory basis based upon the following votes:

<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	Broker Non-Votes
109,373,675	8,817,556	6,105,578	54,727,792

# Proposal 4: Ratification of Appointment of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm for the Company for the Current Fiscal Year

The appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal year 2021 was ratified based upon the following votes:

For	<u>Against</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<b>Broker Non-Votes</b>
177,553,401	975,939	495,261	-

## Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

<u>Exhibit</u>	Description
3.1	Certificate of Amendment to the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Durect Corporation
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.

Date: June 16, 2021

## **DURECT** Corporation

By: /s/ James E. Brown

James E. Brown President and Chief Executive Officer

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