# 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): January 28, 2013

## CYCLACEL PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

**0-50626** (Commission File Number) **91-1707622** (IRS Employer Identification No.)

200 Connell Drive, Suite 1500 Berkeley Heights, NJ 07922 (Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (908) 517-7330

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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#### Item 8.01 Other Events

On January 28, 2013, Cyclacel Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (the "**Company**") entered into the Securities Exchange Agreement (the "**Agreement**") with one of its stockholders, pursuant to which the Company agreed to issue 116,894 shares of its common stock, \$0.001 par value (the "**Common Stock**"), to the stockholder in exchange for their delivery to the Company of 65,013 shares of the Company's 6% Exchangeable Convertible Preferred Stock (the "**Preferred Stock**"). The stockholder, who is not an "affiliate" of the Company within the meaning of Rule 144(a)(1) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "**Securities Act**"), approached the Company with the proposed exchange transaction (the "**Exchange**"). The terms of the Exchange were determined by armslength negotiations between the parties. The shares of Common Stock were issued in reliance on the exemption from registration contained in Section 3(a) (9) of the Securities Act for securities exchanged by the issuer and an existing security holder where no commission or other remuneration is paid or given directly or indirectly by the issuer for soliciting such exchange. This transaction was settled on February 1, 2013, after which a total of 796,139 shares of Preferred Stock remain outstanding. 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.

## CYCLACEL PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

By: /s/ Paul McBarron

Name: Paul McBarron Title: Executive Vice President—Finance, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Operating Officer

Date: February 1, 2013