
**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**
Washington, DC 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): **September 25, 2015**

CRYOPORT, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Nevada
(State of other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-34632
(Commission File Number)

88-0313393
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

20382 Barents Sea Circle, Lake Forest, California 92630
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(949) 470-2300**

Not Applicable
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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 - ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On September 25, 2015, the Board of Directors (the “Board”) of Cryoport, Inc. (the “Company”) elected Robert Hariri, M.D., Ph.D. to the Board.

Dr. Hariri is the chairman, founder and chief scientific officer of Celgene Cellular Therapeutics, a division of Celgene Corporation, since 2005. Prior to joining Celgene Cellular Therapeutics as president in 2002, Dr. Hariri was founder, chairman and chief scientific officer at Anthrogenesis Corporation/LIFEBANK, Inc., a privately held biomedical technology and service corporation involved in the area of human stem cell therapeutics, which was acquired by Celgene in 2002. Dr. Hariri is also Co-founder and president of Human Longevity, Inc., a genomics and cell-therapy company. He serves on numerous Boards of Directors including Myos Corporation (Nasdaq: MYOS), Provista Diagnostics and Bionik Laboratories Corp (OTCQX: BNKL) and is a member of the Board of Visitors of the Columbia University School of Engineering & Applied Sciences and the Science & Technology Council of the College of Physicians and Surgeons; as well as a member of the Scientific Advisory Board for the Archon X PRIZE for Genomics, which is awarded by the X Prize Foundation. Dr. Hariri is also a Trustee of the J. Craig Venter Institute and the Liberty Science Center and has been appointed Commissioner of Cancer Research by New Jersey Governor, Chris Christie. Dr. Hariri was recipient of the Thomas Alva Edison Award in 2007 and 2011, and has received numerous other honors for his many contributions to biomedicine and aviation.

Dr. Hariri received his undergraduate training at Columbia College and Columbia University School of Engineering and Applied Sciences and was awarded his M.D. and Ph.D. degrees from Cornell University Medical College. Dr. Hariri received his surgical training at The New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center where he also directed the Aitken Neurosurgery Laboratory and the Center for Trauma Research.

We believe Dr. Hariri’s training as a scientist, his knowledge and experience with respect to the biomedical and pharmaceutical industries and his extensive research and experience qualifies him to serve on our Board of Directors.

There have been no related party transactions between the Company and Dr. Hariri, and there were no arrangements or understandings between Dr. Hariri and any other person pursuant to which he was selected as director.

As a non-employee director, he will participate in the Company’s director compensation plan governed by the Compensation Committee and will receive an initial grant to purchase 50,000 shares of the Company’s common stock upon joining the Board, which will vest monthly over four years. In addition, Dr. Hariri elected to receive shares of unregistered common stock of the Company in lieu of cash compensation for his services as a director of the Company. Under the director compensation plan, Dr. Hariri will be issued shares of common stock calculated by dividing the quarterly cash compensation of \$10,000 that he is eligible to receive for his services, multiplied by 1.15, by the volume weighted average price of the Company’s common stock for the last five days of the trading month ending each quarter.

A copy of the press release announcing Dr. Hariri’s appointment is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by this reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits. The following material is filed as an exhibit to this Current Report on Form 8-K:

**Exhibit
Number**

99.1 Press Release, dated October 1, 2015.

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.

CRYOPORT, INC.

Date: October 1, 2015

By: /s/ Robert Stefanovich
Robert Stefanovich
Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number	Description
99.1	Press Release, dated October 1, 2015, issued by the Registrant.

**Cryoport Appoints Robert Hariri, MD, PhD to its Board of Directors**

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Conference call scheduled for 4:30 p.m. ET on Monday, October 5th to introduce Dr. Hariri

Lake Forest, CA, October 1, 2015 - Cryoport, Inc. (NASDAQ: CYRX) ("Company") today announced the appointment of Robert Hariri, MD, PhD to its Board of Directors.

Dr. Hariri is the Chairman, Founder and Chief Scientific Officer of Celgene Cellular Therapeutics, one of the world's largest human cellular therapeutics companies and wholly owned subsidiary of Celgene Corporation (NASDAQ: CELG). He has pioneered the use of stem cells and biomaterials to treat a range of life threatening diseases and has made transformative contributions in the field of tissue engineering.

Dr. Hariri is a visionary scientist, surgeon, aviator and entrepreneur. He has over 100 issued and pending patents; authored over 100 published chapters, articles and abstracts; and is most recognized for his discovery of pluripotent stem cells from the placenta and as a member of the team which discovered the physiological activities of TNF (tumor necrosis factor).

Along with J. Craig Venter, PhD, Dr. Hariri, is Co-Founder & President of Human Longevity Cellular Therapeutics, Inc. located in San Diego, CA, a leader in genomics and cellular technology. He is Founder and Chairman of Myos Corporation located in Cedar Knolls, NJ (NASDAQ: MYOS), an emerging bio-therapeutics and bio-nutrition company focused on the discovery, development and commercialization of products that improve muscle health and function essential to the management of sarcopenia, cachexia and chronic and acute muscle diseases.

Dr. Hariri also serves on numerous Boards of Directors, including Myos Corporation, Bionik Laboratories and Provista Diagnostics. Dr. Hariri is a member of the scientific advisory board for the Archon X PRIZE for Genomics, which is awarded by the X PRIZE Foundation. He is also a member of the Board of Trustees of the J. Craig Venter Institute, a Trustee of the Liberty Science Center and has been appointed Commissioner of the New Jersey Commission on Cancer Research.

Dr. Hariri was recipient of the Thomas Alva Edison Award in 2007 and 2011, The Fred J. Epstein Lifetime Achievement Award and has received numerous other honors for his many contributions to biomedicine and aviation. He is an Adjunct Associate Professor of Pathology at the Mount Sinai School of Medicine and served as a member of the Board of Visitors of his alma mater, Columbia University School of Engineering & Applied Sciences and the Science & Technology Council of the College of Physicians and Surgeons. Dr. Hariri was awarded his M.D. and Ph.D. degrees from Cornell University Medical College and received his surgical training at The New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center. He also directed the Aitken Neurosurgery Laboratory and the Center for Trauma Research.



Dr. Hariri has also produced several feature films and documentaries, which can be reviewed at www.imdb.com.

Dr. Hariri stated, “As an established investor in Cryoport’s common stock, I have a great deal of confidence in the need and demand for Cryoport’s cold chain and logistical solutions in the life sciences market, which is expected to increase substantially as cellular therapies such as stem cells, immunotherapies and, especially, CAR-T cell therapies come to commercialization. These advanced therapies require rigid and well-designed enhanced cold chain management solutions to ensure effective patient treatment, as temperature excursion will affect efficacy. To effectively bring these therapies through clinical trials and commercialization, after receiving FDA approval, the use of advanced cold-chain solutions, such as Cryoport’s, is crucial. The cellular therapies market, on a broad scale, is greatly enhanced by the presence and use of Cryoport’s technologies.”

He continued, “My extensive involvement with cellular and regenerative medicines throughout my career brought Cryoport to my attention long before being invited to join the Company’s Board of Directors. As indicated by my previous actions, I believe the Company is an incredible investment opportunity as the services Cryoport provide are crucial to the development of the next stage of the life sciences industry and cellular therapies, in particular.”

Jerrell Shelton, CEO of Cryoport, said, “The appointment of such a notable cellular therapy industry participant as Dr. Robert Hariri speaks volumes about Cryoport’s positioning within the advancing life sciences markets, including stem cells; immunotherapies, especially CAR-T cell therapies; animal husbandry; and human reproductive medicine. Dr. Hariri will be an enormous asset to our company and its Board of Directors, as he brings wide ranging and extensive experience within cellular and regenerative therapies.”

“Cryoport’s services as applied in cellular and regenerative medicines achieve the highest possible standards in cold chain logistics, especially as related to standardizing cell cryopreservation during shipment packaging, shipping, information, and, sometimes, short duration storage. Dr. Hariri’s recognition of Cryoport as the most advanced cryogenic logistics solution in the world is a tribute to the Cryoport team and the services provided by the company,” concluded Shelton.



Conference Call

Cryoport will host a conference call at 4:30 p.m. ET on Monday, October 5, 2015 to introduce Dr. Robert Hariri. Participants should dial 1-888-504-7963 (United States) or 1-719-325-2432 (International) and request the "Cryoport call." A live audio webcast of the call will also be available on the Investor Relations section of the Company's website at www.cryoport.com. Please allow 10 minutes prior to the call to visit this site to download and install any necessary audio software.

An archive of the webcast will be available approximately two hours after completion of the live event and will be accessible on the Investor Relations section of the Company's website at www.cryoport.com for a limited time. A dial-in replay of the call will also be available to those interested until October 12, 2015. To access the replay, dial 1-877-870-5176 (United States) or 1-858-384-5517 (International) and enter replay pin number: 373591.

About Cryoport, Inc.

Cryoport is the premier provider of cryogenic logistics solutions to the life sciences industry through its purpose-built proprietary packaging, information technology and specialized cold chain logistics expertise. The Company provides leading edge logistics solutions for biologic materials, such as immunotherapies, stem cells, CAR-T cells and reproductive cells for clients worldwide. Leading global companies, such as FedEx, UPS and DHL have each separately selected Cryoport as the preferred cryogenic logistics provider for time- and temperature-sensitive biological material. Cryoport actively supports points-of-care, CRO's, central laboratories, pharmaceutical companies, contract manufacturers and university researchers. For more information, visit www.cryoport.com.

To download Cryoport's investor relations app, which offers access to SEC documents, press releases, videos, audiocasts and more, please click to download from your [iPhone](#) and [iPad](#) or [Android mobile device](#).

Forward Looking Statements

Statements in this news release which are not purely historical, including statements regarding Cryoport, Inc.'s intentions, hopes, beliefs, expectations, representations, projections, plans or predictions of the future are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. It is important to note that the company's actual results could differ materially from those in any such forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially include, but are not limited to, risks and uncertainties associated with the effect of changing economic conditions, trends in the products markets, variations in the company's cash flow, market acceptance risks, and technical development risks. The company's business could be affected by a number of other factors, including the risk factors listed from time to time in the company's SEC reports including, but not limited to, the annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended March 31, 2015. The company cautions investors not to place undue reliance on the forward-looking statements contained in this press release. Cryoport, Inc. disclaims any obligation, and does not undertake to update or revise any forward-looking statements in this press release.

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