

6,765,463 Shares of Common Stock Warrants to Purchase up to 7,692,307 Shares of Common Stock Pre-Funded Warrants to Purchase up to 926,844 Shares of Common Stock

This prospectus supplement updates and should be read in conjunction with the prospectus dated January 8, 2021, or the Prospectus, relating to the offering of up to 6,765,463 shares of our common stock, warrants to purchase up to 7,692,307 shares of our common stock and pre-funded warrants to purchase 926,844 shares of our common stock, as well as an option to the underwriter in the offering to purchase up to an additional 1,153,846 shares of common stock and/or warrants to purchase up to 1,153,846 shares of our common stock, in any combination thereof. To the extent that there is any conflict between the information contained herein and the information contained in the Prospectus, the information contained herein supersedes and replaces such information.

Current Report

This prospectus supplement incorporates into the Prospectus the information contained in our attached Current Report on Form 8-K that we filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on October 19, 2021, or the Form 8-K. The Form 8-K, as filed, is set forth below.

The information contained in this Prospectus Supplement No. 16 supplements and supersedes, in relevant part, the information contained in the Prospectus, as amended and supplemented to date. This Prospectus Supplement No. 16 is incorporated by reference into, and should be read in conjunction with, the Prospectus, as amended and supplemented to date, and is not complete without, and may not be delivered or utilized except in connection with, the Prospectus, as amended and supplemented to date.

The Prospectus, together with Prospectus Supplement No. 1, Prospectus Supplement No. 2, Prospectus Supplement No. 3, Prospectus Supplement No. 4, Prospectus Supplement No. 5, Prospectus Supplement No. 6, Prospectus Supplement No. 7, Prospectus Supplement No. 8, Prospectus Supplement No. 9, Prospectus Supplement No. 10, Prospectus Supplement No. 11, Prospectus Supplement No. 12, Prospectus Supplement No. 13, Prospectus Supplement No. 14, Prospectus Supplement No. 15 and Prospectus Supplement No. 16, constitutes the prospectus required to be delivered by Section 5(b) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, with respect to offers and sales of the securities as set forth in the Prospectus, as amended and supplemented. All references in the Prospectus to "this prospectus" are amended to read "this prospectus (as supplemented and amended to date)."

Our common stock is traded on the NASDAQ Capital Market under the symbol "KMPH." The last reported sale price of our common stock on October 18, 2021 was \$9.40 per share. You are urged to obtain current market quotations for our common stock.

Investing in our securities is highly speculative and involves a significant degree of risk. See "Risk Factors" beginning on page 9 of the Prospectus and the Risk Factors identified in our Annual Report for the year ended December 31, 2020 and in our Quarterly Report for the quarter ended June 30, 2021 for a discussion of information that should be considered before making a decision to purchase our securities.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The date of this prospectus supplement is October 19, 2021.

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 Exchang	e Act of 1934
	Date of 1	Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported): Octol	per 19, 2021
	(I	KemPharm, Inc. Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Cha	rter)
Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)		001-36913 (Commission File Number)	20-5894398 (IRS Employer Identification No.)
1180 Celebration Boulevard, Suite 103, Celebration, FL (Address of Principal Executive Offices)			34747 (Zip Code)
	Registran	t's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (3	21) 939-3416
			filing obligation of the registrant under any of the
	Written communications pursuant to Rule 4	25 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)	
	Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)		
	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))		
Secu	rities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of th		
	Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
	Common Stock	КМРН	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC (Nasdaq Global Select Market)
chap	ter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange A		105 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§ 230.405 of this
Eme	rging growth company \square		
		mark if the registrant has elected not to use the expursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. \Box	tended transition period for complying with any new

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On October 19, 2021, KemPharm, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), issued a press release (the "Press Release") announcing that the Company's common stock was approved for listing on the Nasdaq Global Select Market, effective with the open of business on October 19, 2021. The Company's ticker symbol will continue to be "KMPH". The Press Release is filed, here within, as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No.

99.1 Press Release titled "KemPharm, Inc. Announces Uplisting to the Nasdaq Global Select Market" dated October 19, 2021.

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 thereunto duly authorized.

KemPharm, Inc.

Date: October 19, 2021

By: /s/ R. LaDuane Clifton

R. LaDuane Clifton, CPA

Chief Financial Officer, Secretary and Treasurer



KemPharm, Inc. Announces Uplisting to The Nasdaq Global Select Market

Trading to commence effective with the open of business on October 19, 2021

Celebration, FL – **October 19, 2021** – <u>KemPharm, Inc.</u> (NASDAQ: KMPH), a specialty pharmaceutical company focused on the discovery and development of proprietary prodrugs, today announced that its shares of common stock have been approved for listing to The Nasdaq Global Select Market. Trading on the exchange will commence effective with the open of business on October 19, 2021, under KemPharm's current ticker symbol, "KMPH".

"KemPharm's advancement to The Nasdaq Global Select Market continues a year of tremendous growth and accomplishment for our company during which time we transformed our business, solidified our financial position and, most importantly with AZSTARYS®, succeeded in bring forth to market the first truly differentiated ADHD medication in years," said Travis C. Mickle, Ph.D., President and Chief Executive Officer of KemPharm. "The Nasdaq Global Select Market is recognized as having the highest initial listing standards of any exchange in the world and is considered a mark of achievement and stature for qualified companies. KemPharm is honored to be amongst this class of company, and we are excited by the opportunity to attract a new echelon of potential investors to our stock."

KemPharm was previously listed on The Nasdaq Capital Market, following its uplisting to the exchange in January. The Nasdaq Global Select Market consists of 1,450 stocks that meet Nasdaq's strict financial and liquidity requirements and corporate governance standards on both an initial and continuing basis.

About AZSTARYS:

AZSTARYS is an FDA-approved, once-daily product for the treatment of attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) in patients age six years or older. AZSTARYS consists of SDX, KemPharm's prodrug of d-methylphenidate (d-MPH), co-formulated with immediate release d-MPH.

The complete approved prescribing information for AZSTARYS may be downloaded in PDF format here: https://kempharm.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/AZSTARYS-Master-Label-Final 20210302.pdf

About KemPharm:

KemPharm is a specialty pharmaceutical company focused on the discovery and development of proprietary prodrugs to treat serious medical conditions through its proprietary LAT® (Ligand Activated Therapy) technology. KemPharm utilizes its proprietary LAT® technology to generate improved prodrug versions of FDA-approved drugs as well as to generate prodrug versions of existing compounds that may have applications for new disease indications. KemPharm's prodrug product candidate pipeline is focused on the high need areas of attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, or ADHD, stimulant use disorder (SUD) and CNS rare diseases, including idiopathic hypersomnia (IH). KemPharm's lead clinical development candidate for the treatment of SUD, KP879, is based on its prodrug of d-methylphenidate, known as serdexmethylphenidate (SDX). In addition, KemPharm has received FDA approval for AZSTARYS®, a new once-daily treatment for ADHD in patents age six years and older, and for APADAZ®, an immediate-release combination product containing benzhydrocodone, a prodrug of hydrocodone, and acetaminophen. For more information on KemPharm and its pipeline of prodrug product candidates visit www.kempharm.com or connect with us on Twitter, LinkedIn, Facebook and YouTube.

Caution Concerning Forward Looking Statements:

This press release may contain forward-looking statements made in reliance upon the safe harbor provisions of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Forward-looking statements include all statements that do not relate solely to historical or current facts and can be identified by the use of words such as "may," "will," "expect," "project," "estimate," "anticipate," "plan," "believe," "potential," "should," "continue" or the negative versions of those words or other comparable words. Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future actions or performance. These forward-looking statements are based on information currently available to KemPharm and its current plans or expectations and are subject to a number of uncertainties and risks that could significantly affect current plans. Risks concerning KemPharm's business are described in detail in KemPharm's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2021, and KemPharm's other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. KemPharm is under no obligation to, and expressly disclaims any such obligation to, update or alter its forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

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