

Aeterna Zentaris Inc.
Form 6-K
October 21, 2016

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER

PURSUANT TO RULE 13A-16 OR 15D-16 UNDER

THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of October 2016

Commission file number 0-30752

AETERNA ZENTARIS INC.

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Yes ☐ No ☒

If ☒ Yes is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82- .

This report on Form 6-K shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference into the registrant's registration statements on Form S-8 (File Nos. 333-200834 and 333-210561), Form F-3 (File No. 333-194547 and Form F-10 (File No. 333-208789) and to be a part thereof from the date on which this report is filed, to the extent not superseded by documents or reports subsequently filed or furnished.

DOCUMENTS INDEX

Documents

Description

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| 99.1 | Form of Director and Officer Indemnification Agreement entered or to be entered into between the registrant and its directors, senior corporate officers and the managing directors of its German subsidiary, Aeterna Zentaris GmbH |
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SIGNATURE

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.

AETERNA ZENTARIS INC.

Date: October 21, 2016

By: */s/ Philip A. Theodore*

Philip A. Theodore

Senior Vice President, Chief Administrative Officer, General
Counsel and Corporate Secretary