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) October 29, 2008

Pain Therapeutics, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) **000-29959** (Commission File Number) **91-1911336** (IRS Employer Identification No.)

2211 Bridgepointe Parkway, Suite 500, San Mateo, CA (Address of principal executive offices)

94404 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (650) 624-8200

Not Applicable

(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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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[] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On October 29, 2008 Pain Therapeutics, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing the Company's financial results for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2008. A copy of the press release has been furnished as an exhibit to this report and is incorporated by reference herein.

The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K and in Exhibit 99.1 shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document filed or furnished pursuant to the Exchange Act or the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such document.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

The following exhibit is furnished as part of this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Exhibit <u>Number</u>	Description
99.1	Press Release of Pain Therapeutics, Inc. dated October 29, 2008.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Pain Therapeutics, Inc.

Date: October 29, 2008

<u>/s/ PETER S. RODDY</u> Peter S. Roddy Vice President & Chief Financial Officer

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99.1 Press Release of Pain Therapeutics, Inc. dated October 29, 2008.

Pain Therapeutics Announces Third Quarter 2008 Financial Results

REMOXY(r) On-track for Regulatory Decision in December

SAN MATEO, Calif., Oct. 29, 2008 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Pain Therapeutics, Inc. (Nasdaq:PTIE) today reported financial results for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2008. Net income for the quarter ended September 30, 2008 was \$15.2 million, or \$0.35 per diluted share, compared to \$3.2 million, or \$0.07 per diluted share, in the third quarter of 2007. Net income for the nine months ended September 30, 2008 was \$16.7 million, or \$0.38 per diluted share, compared to \$19.2 million, or \$0.42 per diluted share, for the same period in 2007. Pain Therapeutics ended the third quarter with \$193.2 million in cash, no debt and 41.9 million shares outstanding.

In the third quarter, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) accepted the New Drug Application (NDA) for REMOXY with Priority Review and announced it will hold an advisory committee meeting November 13, 2008 to assist with its review of this NDA.

"We are very encouraged by REMOXY's momentum in the third quarter," said Remi Barbier, Pain Therapeutics' president and chief executive officer. "We look forward to the advisory committee meeting in November and remain firmly committed to make REMOXY a viable treatment option for patients with chronic pain."

In 2005, Pain Therapeutics and King Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (NYSE:KG) entered into a strategic alliance to develop and commercialize REMOXY and other abuse-resistant medications. Pain Therapeutics will receive a running royalty equal to 20% of net sales of drugs developed under this strategic alliance, except as to the first \$1.0 billion in cumulative net sales, which royalty is set at 15%.

In October, the FDA announced that an advisory committee will meet in Gaithersburg, Md. on November 13, 2008 to discuss the NDA for REMOXY. The committee will begin with a closed session from 8:00 a.m. to 9:15 a.m., followed by a public session from 9:15 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The function of this meeting is to provide advice and recommendations to the FDA on regulatory issues. More information is available on FDA web sites, including:

http://www.fda.gov/OHRMS/DOCKETS/98fr/FDA-2008-N-0038-nm.pdf

http://www.fda.gov/cder/audiences/acspage/meetings/joint_meeting_alsdac_dsarrm.htm

Financial Highlights

- * Milestone revenue consists of \$20.0 million we received for two success-based milestone payments under our strategic alliance with King. We received from King a \$15.0 million cash milestone payment upon acceptance of the NDA for REMOXY by the FDA. We also received a \$5.0 million cash milestone payment upon acceptance of the Investigational New Drug application for PTI-721, the third of four abuse-resistant opioid drug candidates under the strategic alliance.
- * Collaboration revenue of \$6.7 million and \$24.7 million in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2008, respectively, reflects reimbursement of our development expenses under our strategic alliance with King.
- * Research and development expenses were \$12.9 million and \$36.6 million in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2008, respectively. Most research and development expenses were attributed to the development activities for our abuse-resistant drug candidates. Research and development expenses included non-cash stock related compensation costs of \$2.9 million and \$4.9 million in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2008, respectively.
- * General and administrative expenses were \$3.6 million and \$7.3 million in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2008, respectively. General and administrative expenses included non-cash stock related compensation costs of \$2.3 million and \$3.5 million in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2008, respectively.

2008 Financial Guidance - No Changes

* We continue to anticipate our operations to be cash flow positive in 2008.

- * We anticipate receiving a \$15.0 million cash milestone payment from King upon approval of REMOXY by the FDA.
- * We continue to expect to spend up to \$15.0 million in 2008 developing biopharmaceutical products for metastatic melanoma, hemophilia and other important disease areas. Pain Therapeutics holds all commercial rights to these biopharmaceutical drug candidates.

About REMOXY

REMOXY, an investigational drug, is a unique, abuse-resistant controlled-release oxycodone for moderate-to-severe chronic pain. REMOXY's high viscosity, liquid formulation in a hard gelatin capsule is designed to resist common methods of misuse and abuse. REMOXY is currently undergoing a priority review by the FDA. The FDA is expected to complete its review of the REMOXY NDA in December 2008. If approved, Pain Therapeutics believes REMOXY could be the first oxycodone on the market that is designed to reduce the risk of misuse and abuse.

About Pain Therapeutics, Inc.

Pain Therapeutics is a biopharmaceutical company that develops novel drugs. In addition to REMOXY, the Company has four drug candidates in clinical programs, including PTI-202, PTI-721, Oxytrex(tm) and a novel radio-labeled monoclonal antibody to treat metastatic melanoma. Pain Therapeutics is also working on a new treatment for patients with hemophilia. The FDA has not yet evaluated the merits, safety or efficacy of the Company's drug candidates. For more information, please visit www.paintrials.com.

Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements: This press release contains forward-looking statements for purposes of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (the "Act"). Pain Therapeutics disclaims any intent or obligation to update these forwardlooking statements, and claims the protection of the Safe Harbor for forward-looking statements contained in the Act. Examples of such statements include, but are not limited to, any statements relating to the potential approval by the FDA of the NDA for REMOXY; the expected milestone payment from King in 2008 for the potential FDA approval of the REMOXY NDA; the benefits of REMOXY; the potential for REMOXY to be the first FDA approved oxycodone on the market designed to reduce the risk of misuse and abuse; the Company's anticipation that it will be cash flow positive from operations in 2008; and anticipated spending on biopharmaceutical development in 2008. Such statements are based on management's current expectations, but actual results may differ mater ially due to various factors. Such statements involve risks and uncertainties, including, but not limited to, those risks and uncertainties relating to difficulties or delays in development and testing of the Company's drug candidates, unexpected adverse side effects or inadequate therapeutic efficacy of the Company's drug candidates (including the risk that current and past results of clinical trials are not necessarily indicative of future results of clinical trials), the uncertainty of patent protection for the Company's intellectual property or trade secrets, unanticipated research and development and other costs and the timing and receipt of funds from the Company's commercial partner for REMOXY, the potential for abuse and misuse resistant pain medications to be developed by competitors and potential competitors to the Company. For further information regarding these and other risks related to the Company's business, investors should consult the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commis sion.

PAIN THERAPEUTICS, INC.									
CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF OP	ERATIONS								
(in thousands, except per sh (Unaudited)	are amounts)								
(Unaddited)									

		Months ded ber 30,	Nine Months Ended September 30,		
	2008	2007	2008	2007	
Revenue					
Milestone Revenue	\$20,000	\$	\$20,000	\$	
Collaboration revenue	6,707	9,259	24,720	32,277	
Program fee revenue	3,587	6,551	10,761	19,651	
Total revenue	30,294	15,810	55,481	51,928	
Operating expenses					
	12,928	,	36,627	,	
General and administrative	3,552	2,011	7,269	5,951	
Total operating expenses	16,480 15,279		43,896	40,122	
Operating income	13,814 531		,	11,806	
Interest income	1,377 2,642		5,151	7,368	
Net income	\$15,191	\$ 3,173	,	\$19,174	
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Net income per share	• • • • 7	• • • • 7	• • • • •	• • • • •	
Basic	\$ 0.37	+	+	\$ 0.43	
Diluted	=======	======	=======	=======	
Diluted	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.07	\$ 0.38	\$ 0.42	

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Weighted-average shares used										
in computing net income per share										
Basic	41,535 ======				44,138					
Diluted	43,021 ======	45,655	43,	564	45,413					
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PAIN THERAPEUTICS, INC. CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS										
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		September 30, 2008			2007(1)					
		(Unaudited)								
Assets		-								
Current assets Cash, cash equivalents and ma	arketable									
securities		\$ 19	3,190	\$	205,071					
Other current assets			408		303					
Total current assets Non-current assets		19	3,598		205,374					
Property and equipment, net			1,256		1,607					
Other assets			643		644					
Total assets		\$ 19	5,497	\$	207,625					
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Liabilities and stockholders'	equity									
Current liabilities Accounts payable		\$	3,485	\$	3,624					
Accrued development expense		Ŷ	862	Ŷ	817					
Deferred program fee revenue portion	- current	1	4,348		14,348					
Other accrued liabilities			1,988		1,868					
Total current liabilities		2	20.683		20,657					
Non-current liabilities		-	,		_0,001					
Deferred program fee revenue current portion	- non-	7	1,740		82,501					
Other liabilities			560		553					
Total liabilities		c			103,711					
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Stockholders' equity Common stock			42		44					
Additional paid-in-capital			5,369		221,415					
Accumulated other comprehens (loss)	sive income	e	(183)		584					
Accumulated deficit			2,714)		(118,129)					
Total stockholders' equity		10	02,514							
Total liabilities and stock	nolders'	• • • •		•	007 007					
equity					207,625 ======					

(1) Derived from audited financial statements.

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