# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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FORM 6-K
REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the month of November 2023
(Commission File No. 001-38215)
NUCANA PLC (Translation of registrant's name into English)
3 Lochside Way Edinburgh EH12 9DT United Kingdom (Address of registrant's principal executive office)
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## **Other Events**

On November 10, 2023, NuCana plc (the "Company") issued a press release announcing that it has received written notification from The Nasdaq Stock Market ("Nasdaq") indicating that the Company's application to transfer the listing of its American Depositary Shares ("ADSs") representing ordinary shares of the Company from the Nasdaq Global Select Market to the Nasdaq Capital Market had been approved. The transfer became effective at the opening of business on November 9, 2023. The Company's ADSs will continue to trade under the symbol "NCNA" and will not be affected by this change in listing. The press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and is incorporated by reference herein. In connection with the transfer to the Nasdaq Capital Market, Nasdaq granted the Company a second 180-day period (or until May 6, 2024) to regain compliance with the requirement set forth in Nasdaq Listing Rule 5450(a)(1) that the bid price of the Company's ADSs meet or exceed \$1.00 per ADS for at least ten consecutive business days.

The information in this Form 6-K and in the attached Exhibit 99.1 shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference into the registration statements on Form F-3 (File Number 333-258491) and Form S-8 (File Number 333-223476 and File Number 333-248135), and related prospectuses, as such registration statements and prospectuses may be amended from time to time, and to be a part thereof from the date on which this report is filed, to the extent not superseded by documents or reports subsequently filed or furnished.

## **Exhibits**

99.1 Press Release, dated November 10, 2023

## **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.

## NuCana plc

By: /s/ Donald Munoz

Name: Donald Munoz

Title: Chief Financial Officer

Date: November 13, 2023

## **NuCana Announces Listing Transfer to Nasdaq Capital Market**

Edinburgh, United Kingdom, November 10, 2023 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) – NuCana plc (NASDAQ: NCNA) ("NuCana" or the "Company") announced today that it has received approval from Listing Qualifications Department of the Nasdaq Stock Market ("Nasdaq") to transfer the listing of its American Depositary Shares ("ADSs") from the Nasdaq Global Select Market to the Nasdaq Capital Market. This transfer became effective at the opening of business on November 9, 2023.

The Nasdaq Capital Market is a continuous trading market that operates in the same manner as The Nasdaq Global Select Market. Therefore, the Company's ADSs continue to trade under the ticker symbol "NCNA" and are not affected by this listing transfer. The approval by Nasdaq was based upon the Company meeting the applicable market value of publicly held shares requirement for continued listing and all other applicable requirements for initial listing on the Nasdaq Capital Market, except for the minimum bid price requirement.

In connection with the transfer to the Nasdaq Capital Market, Nasdaq granted the Company an additional 180-day period (or until May 6, 2024) to regain compliance with the requirement set forth in Nasdaq Listing Rule 5450(a)(1) that the bid price of the Company's ADSs meet or exceed \$1.00 per ADS for at least ten consecutive business days. The Company intends to continue actively monitoring the bid price and consider available options to regain compliance with the minimum bid price requirement.

#### About NuCana

NuCana is a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on significantly improving treatment outcomes for patients with cancer by applying our ProTide technology to transform some of the most widely prescribed chemotherapy agents, nucleoside analogs, into more effective and safer medicines. While these conventional agents remain part of the standard of care for the treatment of many solid and hematological tumors, they have significant shortcomings that limit their efficacy and they are often poorly tolerated. Utilizing our proprietary technology, we are developing new medicines, ProTides, designed to overcome the key limitations of nucleoside analogs and generate much higher concentrations of anti-cancer metabolites in cancer cells. NuCana's pipeline includes NUC-3373 and NUC-7738. NUC-3373 is a new chemical entity derived from the nucleoside analog 5-fluorouracil, a widely used chemotherapy agent. NUC-3373 is currently being evaluated in three ongoing clinical studies: a Phase 1b/2 study (NuTide:302) in combination with leucovorin, irinotecan or oxaliplatin, and bevacizumab in patients with metastatic colorectal cancer; a randomized Phase 2 study (NuTide:323) in combination with leucovorin, irinotecan, and bevacizumab for the second-line treatment of patients with advanced colorectal cancer; and a Phase 1b/2 modular study (NuTide:303) of NUC-3373 in combination with the PD-1 inhibitor pembrolizumab for patients with advanced solid tumors and in combination with docetaxel for patients with lung cancer. NUC-7738 is a transformation of 3'-deoxyadenosine, a novel anti-cancer nucleoside analog. NUC-7738 is in the Phase 2 part of a Phase 1/2 study in patients with advanced solid tumors which is evaluating NUC-7738 as a monotherapy and in combination with pembrolizumab.

## **Forward-Looking Statements**

This press release may contain "forward-looking" statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 that are based on the beliefs and assumptions and on information currently available to management of NuCana plc (the "Company"). All statements other than statements of historical fact contained in this press release are forward-looking statements, including statements concerning the Company's current expectations with respect to regaining compliance with Nasdag listing requirements, the Company's planned and ongoing clinical studies for the Company's product candidates and the potential advantages of those product candidates, including NUC-3373 and NUC-7738; the initiation, enrollment, timing, progress, release of data from and results of those planned and ongoing clinical studies; the Company's goals with respect to the development, regulatory pathway and potential use, if approved, of each of its product candidates; and the utility of prior non-clinical and clinical data in determining future clinical results. In some cases, you can identify forward-looking statements by terminology such as "may," "will," "should," "expects," "plans," "anticipates," "believes," "estimates," "predicts," "potential" or "continue" or the negative of these terms or other comparable terminology. Forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause the Company's actual results, performance or achievements to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. These risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, the risks and uncertainties set forth in the "Risk Factors" section of the Company's Annual Report on Form 20-F for the year ended December 31, 2022 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") on April 4, 2023, and subsequent reports that the Company files with the SEC. Forward-looking statements represent the Company's beliefs and assumptions only as of the date of this press release. Although the Company believes that the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements are reasonable, it cannot guarantee future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements. Except as required by law, the Company assumes no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statements for any reason after the date of this press release to conform any of the forward-looking statements to actual results or to changes in its expectations.

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