

Horizon Pharma plc  
Form S-8  
January 11, 2018

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Registration No. 333-

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**FORM S-8**  
**REGISTRATION STATEMENT**  
***UNDER***  
***THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933***

**HORIZON PHARMA PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**Ireland**  
**(State or other jurisdiction of**  
**incorporation or organization)**

**Not Applicable**  
**(I.R.S. Employer**  
**Identification No.)**

Connaught House, 1st Floor

1 Burlington Road, Dublin 4, D04 C5Y6, Ireland

011-353-1-772-2100  
(Address and Telephone Number of Principal  
Executive Offices)

Not Applicable  
(Zip Code)

Horizon Pharma Public Limited Company 2014 Equity Incentive Plan

(Full title of the plan)

Timothy P. Walbert

Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer

Horizon Pharma plc

c/o Horizon Pharma, Inc.

150 South Saunders Road

Lake Forest, Illinois 60045

(224) 383-3000

(Name, address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting

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company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large Accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Smaller reporting company

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 7(a)(2)(B) of the Securities Act.

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**CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE**

Title of securities to be registered	Amount to be registered <sup>(1)(2)</sup>	Proposed maximum offering price per share <sup>(3)</sup>	Proposed maximum aggregate offering price <sup>(3)</sup>	Amount of registration fee <sup>(4)</sup>
<b>Horizon Pharma Public Limited Company 2014 Equity Incentive Plan</b>				
Ordinary Shares, nominal value \$0.0001 per share	800,000 shares	\$15.14	\$12,112,000.00	\$1,507.95

- (1) Pursuant to Rule 416(a) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act ), this Registration Statement on Form S-8 shall also cover any additional ordinary shares of the Registrant (the Ordinary Shares ) that become issuable under the Horizon Pharma Public Limited Company 2014 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended (the 2014 Plan ), by reason of any stock dividend, stock split, recapitalization or other similar transaction effected without receipt of consideration that increases the number of outstanding Ordinary Shares.
- (2) Consists of 800,000 additional Ordinary Shares available for issuance under the 2014 Plan. Ordinary Shares issuable under the 2014 Plan were previously registered on Registration Statements on Form S-8 filed by the Registrant with the Securities and Exchange Commission on September 22, 2014 (File No. 333-198865), May 7, 2015 (File No. 333-203933), May 4, 2016 (File No. 333-211118) and September 1, 2017 (File No. 333-220316).
- (3) This estimate is made pursuant to Rule 457(c) and Rule 457(h)(1) of the Securities Act solely for purposes of calculating the registration fee. The price per share and aggregate offering price are based upon the average of the high and low prices of the Ordinary Shares on January 10, 2018, as reported on The Nasdaq Global Select Market.
- (4) On September 8, 2015, the Registrant filed a Registration Statement on Form S-4 (File No. 333-206798), as amended (the S-4 Registration Statement ), and paid a registration fee of \$263,533.95. The S-4 Registration Statement was withdrawn by filing a Form RW on December 2, 2015. In accordance with Rule 457(p) under the Securities Act, the Registrant is offsetting the filing fees for this Registration Statement on Form S-8 against the fees previously paid in connection with the S-4 Registration Statement. Accordingly, no additional registration fee is being paid in connection with the filing of this Registration Statement on Form S-8.

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## REGISTRATION OF ADDITIONAL SECURITIES

Horizon Pharma Public Limited Company (the Registrant ) has prepared this Registration Statement on Form S-8 (this S-8 Registration Statement ) in accordance with the requirements of Form S-8 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, to register 800,000 additional ordinary shares of the Registrant (the Ordinary Shares ) issuable pursuant to the Horizon Pharma Public Limited Company 2014 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended (the 2014 Plan ).

The additional 800,000 Ordinary Shares available for issuance under the 2014 Plan being registered on this S-8 Registration Statement are to be used exclusively for the grant of awards ( Inducement Awards ) to individuals who were not previously employees or non-employee directors of the Registrant (or following a bona fide period of non-employment with the Registrant), as an inducement material to the individuals entering into employment with the Registrant within the meaning of Rule 5635(c)(4) of the NASDAQ Listing Rules ( Rule 5635(c)(4) ). The 2014 Plan was amended by the compensation committee of the board of directors of the Registrant to provide for Inducement Awards without shareholder approval pursuant to Rule 5635(c)(4).

## INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE OF CONTENTS OF

### REGISTRATION STATEMENTS ON FORM S-8

This S-8 Registration Statement is being filed for the purpose of increasing the number of securities of the same class as other securities for which a Registration Statement of the Registrant on Form S-8 relating to the same benefit plan is effective.

The Registrant's Registration Statements on Form S-8 previously filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on September 22, 2014 (File No. 333-198865), May 7, 2015 (File No. 333-203933), May 4, 2016 (File No. 333-211118) and September 1, 2017 (File No. 333-220316) are incorporated by reference in this S-8 Registration Statement pursuant to General Instruction E to Form S-8.

## ITEM 8. EXHIBITS.

### Exhibit

Number	Description
3.1 <sup>(1)</sup>	<u>Memorandum and Articles of Association of Horizon Pharma Public Limited Company, as amended.</u>
4.1	<u>Reference is made to Exhibit 3.1.</u>
5.1	<u>Opinion of McCann FitzGerald Solicitors.</u>
23.1	<u>Consent of McCann FitzGerald Solicitors. Reference is made to Exhibit 5.1.</u>
23.2	<u>Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, independent registered public accounting firm.</u>
24.1	<u>Power of Attorney. Reference is made to the signature page hereto.</u>
99.1 <sup>(2)</sup>	<u>Horizon Pharma Public Limited Company 2014 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended, and Form of Option Agreement, Form of Stock Option Grant Notice, Form of Restricted Stock Unit Agreement and Form of Restricted Stock Unit Grant Notice thereunder.</u>

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- (1) Incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on May 4, 2017.
- (2) Incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on January 11, 2018.

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in Dublin, Ireland, on January 11, 2018.

**HORIZON PHARMA PLC**

By: /s/ Timothy P. Walbert  
 Timothy P. Walbert  
 Chairman, President and Chief Executive  
 Officer

**POWER OF ATTORNEY**

**KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS**, that each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints Timothy P. Walbert and Paul W. Hoelscher, and each of them, as his or her true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, each with the full power of substitution, for him or her and in his or her name, place or stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments to this Registration Statement (including post-effective amendments), and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in connection therewith, as fully to all intents and purposes as he or she might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents, or either of them, or their or his substitutes or substitute, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

<b>Signature</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Date</b>
/s/ Timothy P. Walbert	Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer	January 11, 2018
Timothy P. Walbert	<i>(Principal Executive Officer)</i>	
/s/ Paul W. Hoelscher	Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer	January 11, 2018
Paul W. Hoelscher	<i>(Principal Financial Officer)</i>	
/s/ Miles W. McHugh	Senior Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer	January 11, 2018
Miles W. McHugh	<i>(Principal Accounting Officer)</i>	
/s/ Michael Grey	Director	January 11, 2018

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Michael Grey

/s/ William F. Daniel

Director

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William F. Daniel

/s/ Jeff Himawan, Ph.D.

Director

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Jeff Himawan, Ph.D.

/s/ Ronald Pauli

Director

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Ronald Pauli

/s/ Gino Santini

Director

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Gino Santini

/s/ James Shannon, M.D.

Director

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James Shannon, M.D.

/s/ H. Thomas Watkins

Director

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H. Thomas Watkins

/s/ Pascale Witz

Director

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