

**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): January 28, 2022

Maravai LifeSciences Holdings, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-39725
(Commission
File Number)

85-2786970
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

**10770 Wateridge Circle Suite 200
San Diego, California**

(Address of principal executive offices)

92121
(Zip Code)

(858) 546-0004

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 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))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Class A Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	MRVI	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC (Nasdaq Global Select Market)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

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 revisited financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure

On January 28, 2022, Maravai LifeSciences Holdings, Inc. announced that it has acquired MyChem LLC, a San Diego, California-based provider of ultra-pure nucleotides to customers in the diagnostics, pharma, genomics and research markets. A copy of the press release announcing the acquisition is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The information contained in this Item 7.01 and Exhibit 99.1 hereto shall not be deemed “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

The following exhibits are furnished as part of this Current Report on Form 8-K:

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description of Exhibit</u>
99.1	Press Release dated January 28, 2022
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

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 hereunto duly authorized.

MARAVAI LIFESCIENCES HOLDINGS, INC.

Date: January 28, 2022

By: /s/ Kevin M. Herde
Name: Kevin M. Herde
Title: Chief Financial Officer

Maravai LifeSciences Acquires MyChem, a Leader in Proprietary Ultra-Pure Nucleotides

*MyChem's nucleotide synthesis methods are highly complementary to Maravai's Trilink mRNA technologies
Increases capabilities serving the high growth cell and gene therapy market*

SAN DIEGO, Calif. – January 28, 2022 - [Maravai LifeSciences, Inc.](#) (NASDAQ: MRVI), a global provider of life science reagents and services to researchers and biotech innovators, announced today that it has acquired MyChem LLC, for \$240 million in cash at closing with the potential for additional contingent cash consideration based on achievement of certain conditions after closing. The acquisition will expand Maravai's product offering of strategic inputs in the rapidly growing markets for therapeutics and vaccine applications.

Based in San Diego, California, MyChem is a privately held provider of proprietary, ultra-pure nucleotides to customers in the diagnostics, pharma, genomics and research markets. Their products include modified nucleotides and other inputs used for mRNA synthesis. MyChem's portfolio complements Maravai's nucleic acid production products and is expected to provide customers significant benefits through an integrated offering. Further, MyChem will help accelerate Maravai's innovation capabilities with additional R&D resources.

"MyChem's chemically synthesized nucleotides are a natural fit and complementary product line for our Nucleic Acid Production business," said Carl Hull, Chief Executive Officer of Maravai. "We have worked with MyChem since 2018 and have the highest regard for the founders and the team they have built and believe there is a close alignment of company cultures. Similar to our past acquisitions, MyChem is founded with exceptional science in place where we can help scale the organization and accelerate growth."

Brian Neel, Chief Operating Officer, Nucleic Acid Production added, "MyChem provides critical raw materials for our CleanCap® AG and mRNA production and has been a reliable supply partner. This acquisition continues our path to build and integrate strategic inputs of the mRNA vaccine and therapeutic supply chain into our operations here in the U.S. and our push to have an end-to end offering for our customers. MyChem's state-of-the-art method for developing ultra-pure nucleotides helps to solve key customer needs not currently addressed by standard, enzymatic manufacturing. We look forward to welcoming their incredibly talented team to Maravai to help drive adoption of new chemistries."

Chanfeng Zhao, Chief Executive Officer and co-founder of MyChem, commented, "We are pleased to join Maravai and the Trilink team given their outstanding reputation for quality, their industry leadership and our shared commitment to develop innovative life science tools. We remain committed to our current customers and believe this transaction will further strengthen our ability to support their needs. This business combination will also allow us to pursue cross-selling opportunities to existing customers, expand sales and marketing to new customers and markets, initiate GMP manufacturing of nucleotides and pursue additional opportunities with pharmaceutical customers in their mRNA programs for vaccine and therapeutic applications."

Following the acquisition, MyChem will become part of TriLink and the Nucleic Acid Production Business Segment, and the MyChem management team will report to Mr. Neel.

Advisors

Jefferies LLC served as financial advisor to Maravai and Kirkland & Ellis LLP served as legal counsel to Maravai. BroadOak Capital Partners, LLC served as financial advisor to MyChem and Morrison & Foerster LLP served as legal counsel to MyChem.

About Maravai

Maravai is a leading life sciences company providing critical products to enable the development of drug therapies, diagnostics, and novel vaccines and to support research on human diseases. Maravai's companies are leaders in providing products and services in the fields of nucleic acid synthesis and biologics safety testing to many of the world's leading biopharmaceutical, vaccine, diagnostics, and cell and gene therapies companies.

About MyChem

MyChem, LLC is a San Diego-based company specializing in making ultra-pure nucleotides. These include natural nucleotides, modified nucleotides and dye labeled nucleotides. MyChem's ultra-pure nucleotides are used in a variety of applications to advance the development of biotechnology research, diagnostic and therapeutic applications. MyChem develops integrated partnerships with customers across the globe to provide premium reagents and innovative services.

Forward-looking Statements

This press release may contain "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the safe harbor provisions of the U.S. Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Investors are cautioned that statements in this press release which are not strictly historical statements constitute forward-looking statements, including, without limitation, statements related to the complementary nature of MyChem's methods, the increased capabilities of Maravai following the acquisition, the expansion of Maravai's product offerings, expected growth of the markets for therapeutics and vaccine applications, expected benefits to customers, acceleration of R&D capabilities, plans to scale the acceleration and accelerate growth, the potential for new end-to-end product offerings, the adoption of new chemistries, the potential for cross-selling and expansion of sales, and plans for GMP manufacturing, constitute forward-looking statements identified by words like "will," "expect," "may," "anticipate," or "could" and similar expressions. Such forward-looking statements are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those anticipated, including, without limitation and uncertainties related to challenges associated with integration of the acquired business into Maravai, continued validation of the safety and effectiveness of our technology, new scientific developments and competition from other products. These and other risks and uncertainties are described in greater detail in the "Risk Factors" section of our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K and other filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. Actual results may differ materially from those contemplated by these forward-looking statements, and therefore you should not rely upon them. These forward-looking statements reflect our current views and we do not undertake to update any of these forward-looking statements to reflect a

change in its views or events or circumstances that occur after the date hereof except as required by law.

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