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): December 15, 2021

Clene Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

001-39834 (Commission File Number)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

85-2828339 (IRS Employer

Identification No.)

6550 South Millrock Drive, Suite G50 Salt Lake City, Utah

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (801) 676-9695

N/A

(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):

□ 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)

Dere-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:

| | | Name of each exchange on |
|--|-------------------|---------------------------|
| Title of each class | Trading Symbol(s) | which registered |
| Common Stock, par value US\$0.0001 per share | CLNN | The Nasdaq Capital Market |
| Warrants, to acquire one-half of one share of Common | CLNNW | The Nasdaq Capital Market |
| Stock for \$11.50 per share | | |

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

84121 (Zip Code)

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On December 15, 2021, Clene Inc. (the "Company") released an updated corporate presentation (the "Corporate Presentation") on its website, www.clene.com. A copy of the Corporate Presentation is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference. The Company plans to use its website to disseminate future updates to the Corporate Presentation and may not file or furnish a Current Report on Form 8-K alerting investors if the Corporate Presentation is updated.

The information furnished in this Item 7.01, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed to be "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act"), as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, and shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing made by the Company under the Exchange Act or the Securities Act of 1933, regardless of any general incorporation language in any such filings, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Forward-Looking Statements

This Current Report on Form 8-K and the Corporate Presentation may contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act and Section 21E of the Exchange Act. The forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, our expectations, hopes, beliefs, intentions, strategies, estimates and assumptions concerning events and financial trends that may affect our future results of operations or financial condition. In addition, any statements that refer to projections, forecasts or other characterizations of future events or circumstances, including any underlying assumptions, are forward-looking statements. The words "anticipate," "believe," "contemplate," "could," "estimate," "expect," "intends," "may," "might," "plan," "possible," "potential," "project," "should," "will," "would" and similar expressions may identify forward-looking statements, but the absence of these words does not mean that a statement is not forward-looking. The forward-looking statements are based on information available as of the date of this report and our management's current expectations, forecasts and assumptions, and involve a number of judgments, risks and uncertainties, our actual results and the timing of events may differ materially from those expressed or implied by these forward-looking statements due to a number of factors. Applicable risks and uncertainties include those related to the possibility that any results of operations and financial condition of the Company are preliminary and subject to final audit, and the risks listed under the heading "Risk Factors" and elsewhere in our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on November 8, 2021 and our Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on March 29, 2021, and our subsequent filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. Accordingly, forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date they were made, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as specifically required under applica

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

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| Exhibit | |
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| Number | Exhibit Description |
| 99.1 | Corporate Presentation |
| 104 | Cover Page Interactive Data File (formatted as Inline XBRL). |

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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.

Clene Inc.

Date: December 16, 2021

By: /s/ Robert Etherington

Robert Etherington President and Chief Executive Officer



Forward Looking Statements

This presentation contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the "safe harbor" provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Clene's actual results may differ from its expectations, estimates, and projections and consequently, you should not rely on these forward-looking statements as predictions of future events. Words such as "expect," "estimate," "project," "budget," "forecast," "anticipate," "intend," "plan," "may," "will," "could," "should," "believes," "predicts," "potential," "might" and "continues," and similar expressions are intended to identify such forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements involve significant known and unknown risks and uncertainties, many of which are beyond Clene's control and could cause actual results to differ materially and adversely from expected results. Factors that may cause such differences include Clene's ability to demonstrate the efficacy and safety of its drug candidates; the clinical results for its drug candidates, which may not support further development or marketing approval; actions of regulatory agencies, which may affect the initiation, timing and progress of clinical trials and marketing approval; Clene's ability to achieve commercial success for its marketed products and drug candidates, if approved; Clene's ability to obtain and maintain protection of intellectual property for its technology and drugs; Clene's reliance on third parties to conduct drug development, manufacturing and other services; Clene's limited operating history and its ability to obtain additional funding for operations and to complete the licensing or development and commercialization of its drug candidates; the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on Clene's clinical development, commercial and other operations, as well as those risks more fully discussed in the section the section entitled "Risk Factors" in Clene's recently filed Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (filed November 8, 2021), as well as discussions of potential risks, uncertainties, and other important factors in Clene's subsequent filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. Clene undertakes no obligation to release publicly any updates or revisions to any forward-looking statements to reflect any change in its expectations or any change in events, conditions or circumstances on which any such statement is based, subject to applicable law. All information in this presentation is as of the date of presented or the date made publicly available. The information contained in any website referenced herein is not, and shall not be deemed to be, part of or incorporated into this presentation.





CLENE | Overview



CLENE | Pipeline



Neurons With High Energetic Demand Are At Increased Risk For Neurodegenerative Disease



CNM-Au8[®] | Catalytically-Active Nanocrystals Intersection of Physics and Biology



CNM-Au8 | Improves Energy Production to Promote Neuroprotection and Remyelination



CNM-Au8 | Significant Global Opportunity



CNM-Au8 | Preclinical Evidence for Energetic Improvement Therapeutic Activity Across Remyelination + Neuroprotection Models



CNM-Au8 | Neuroprotection & Remyelination

Phase 2 and Phase 3 Clinical Trials



CNM-Au8 | Safety Summary









<u>Randomized, Double-Blind, Placebo-Controlled Study in</u> <u>Early Symptomatic Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Patients</u> on Stable Background Therapy to Assess Bioenergetic <u>Catalysis with CNM-Au</u>8 to Slow Diseas<u>e</u> Progression in <u>ALS</u>

36-Week Treatment Period (n=42) 30mg, Placebo





RESCUEALS | Evidence for Motor Neuron Protection

Primary Endpoint (MUNIX %, LS Mean Change)



RESCUEALS | MUNIX Biomarker Efficacy in Limb Onset

Primary Endpoint (MUNIX %, LS Mean Change, Limb Onset Subset)



RESCUEALS | Significant Impact on ALSFRS-R Decline

Exploratory (ALSFRS-R Responder Analysis, < 6-point decline)



RESCUEALS | Significant Quality of Life Improvement

Exploratory (ALS Specific QOL-SF)

All Randomized









Joint Rank | Survival & Disease Progression

Summated Scoring Example



RESCUEALS | Impact on Joint Rank Score to Wk36

Post Hoc (Combined Assessment of (i) Survival, (ii) King's Clinical Stage 4, (iii) ALSFRS-R)







- No CNM-Au8 related serious adverse events (SAEs)
- No CNM-Au8 related drug discontinuations
- No imbalances in treatment emergent adverse event (TEAEs) by system organ class
- TEAEs were predominantly mild-to-moderate and transient
- Most common TEAEs associated with CNM-Au8 (aspiration pneumonia, n=3; nausea, n=2; abdominal discomfort, n=2)

25 Data on File, Clene Nanomedicine, Inc.



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A Multi-center, Randomized Double-Blind, Placebo-Controlled **Clinical Trial Assessing the Efficacy, Safety, Tolerability,** Pharmacokinetics, and Pharmacodynamics of CNM-Au8 in Participants with Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis



Regimen D (n=160) **Exploratory Endpoints Slow Vital Capacity** · Combined Joint Rank Change in 2° Hand-Held Dynamometry (Survival + ALSFRS-R) ALSFRS-R Voice pathology Survival · PRO (ALSAQ) · Pharmacodynamic markers



Anticipated full

unblinded data



Measuring MS Functional Improvement





Strong Intellectual Property

Extensive Patent Portfolio With Protection Through 2035 ^a & Proprietary Trade Secrets; Plus 7-year Orphan Drug Designation



Clene | Proprietary Nanocrystal Manufacturing In-House ISO8 Clean Room Clinical Production in Maryland

Designed to be Scalable to Commercialization

Patented Hydro-electro-Crystallization

Proprietary Trade Secrets

Validated CMC Processes

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Anticipated Timeline & Upcoming Milestones



CLENE | Company Highlights

| Nanotherapeutics Platform | energy production and utilization in stressed CNS cells Applications across neurology, infectious disease, and oncology |
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| | • CNM Au8 improves cellular operative production and utilization to promote |
| Lead Asset | neuroprotection and remyelination |
| CNM-Au8 for Neurorepair | • Phase 2 ALS proof-of-concept evidence of efficacy across clinical endpoints |
| | Phase 3 Healey ALS platform trial results expected in 2H 2022 |
| | Phase 2 VISIONARY-MS in multiple sclerosis underway |
| Strong Execution Capabilities | Proprietary electrochemical manufacturing process produces papotherapeutics, scalable to commercialization |
| | Strong IP, including 150+ granted patents, and trade secrets |



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