

**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): May 24, 2024**

**SCILEX HOLDING COMPANY**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**001-39852**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**92-1062542**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**960 San Antonio Road, Palo Alto, California, 94303**  
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (650) 516-4310**

**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:

- 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<br>Symbol(s) | Name of each exchange<br>on which registered |
|---|----------------------|--|
| Common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share  | SCLX                 | The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC                  |
| Warrants to purchase one share of common stock,<br>each at an exercise price of \$11.50 per share | SCLXW                | The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC                  |

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.

**Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.**

On May 24, 2024, Scilex Holding Company (the “Company”) issued a press release announcing that the Company had sent a letter to the U.S House of Representatives on illegal market manipulation of its common stock. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K (the “Current Report”).

The information under this Item 7.01 of this Current Report is being furnished and shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall such information be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, whether made before or after the date hereof, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing. This Current Report will not be deemed an admission as to the materiality of any information required to be disclosed solely to satisfy the requirements of Regulation FD.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

| <u>Exhibit Number</u> | <u>Description</u>  |
|-----------------------|---|
| 99.1                  | <a href="#">Press Release, dated May 24, 2024.</a>  |
| 104                   | Cover Page Interactive Data File, formatted in Inline Extensible Business Reporting Language (iXBRL). |

**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.

**SCILEX HOLDING COMPANY**

By: /s/ Jaisim Shah

Name: Jaisim Shah

Title: Chief Executive Officer and President

Date: May 24, 2024



May 24, 2024

**Scilex Holding Company Sends Letter to U.S. House of Representatives on Illegal Market Manipulation of the Common Stock of Scilex Holding Company**

**PALO ALTO, CALIFORNIA – May 24, 2024 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE)** - Scilex Holding Company (Nasdaq: SCLX, “Scilex” or “Company”), an innovative revenue-generating company focused on acquiring, developing and commercializing non-opioid pain management products for the treatment of acute and chronic pain, today sends a letter to the U.S. House of Representatives on illegal market manipulation of the common stock of Scilex.

The practice of manipulative or abusive “naked short” selling or maintaining “naked short” positions may constitute a violation of SEC Regulation SHO. Scilex Management is determined to combat manipulative and illegal short selling of Scilex common stock which has the effect of reducing shareholder value and infringing on shareholders’ rights.

A copy of the letter to U.S. House of Representatives can be download here.

For more information on Scilex Holding Company, refer to [www.scilexholding.com](http://www.scilexholding.com)

For more information on ZTlido® including Full Prescribing Information, refer to [www.ztlido.com](http://www.ztlido.com).

For more information on ELYXYB®, including Full Prescribing Information, refer to [www.elyxyb.com](http://www.elyxyb.com).

For more information on Gloperba®, including Full Prescribing Information, refer to [www.gloperba.com](http://www.gloperba.com).



**About Scilex Holding Company**

Scilex Holding Company is an innovative revenue-generating company focused on acquiring, developing and commercializing non-opioid pain management products for the treatment of acute and chronic pain. Scilex targets indications with high unmet needs and large market opportunities with non-opioid therapies for the treatment of patients with acute and chronic pain and are dedicated to advancing and improving patient outcomes. Scilex’s commercial products include: (i) ZTlido® (lidocaine topical system) 1.8%, a prescription lidocaine topical product approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (the “FDA”) for the relief of neuropathic pain associated with postherpetic neuralgia, which is a form of post-shingles nerve pain; (ii) ELYXYB®, a potential first-line treatment and the only FDA-approved, ready-to-use oral solution for the acute treatment of migraine, with or without aura, in adults; and (iii) Gloperba®, the first and only liquid oral version of the anti-gout medicine colchicine indicated for the prophylaxis of painful gout flares in adults, expected to launch in the first half of 2024.

In addition, Scilex has three product candidates: (i) SP-102 (10 mg, dexamethasone sodium phosphate viscous gel) (“SEMDEXA™” or “SP-102”), a novel, viscous gel formulation of a widely used corticosteroid for epidural injections to treat lumbosacral radicular pain, or sciatica, for which Scilex has completed a Phase 3 study and has granted Fast Track status from the FDA in 2017; (ii) SP-103 (lidocaine topical system) 5.4%, (“SP-103”), a next-generation, triple-strength formulation of ZTlido, for the treatment of chronic neck pain and for which Scilex has recently completed a Phase 2 trial in low back pain. SP-103 has granted Fast Track status from the FDA in low back pain; and (iii) SP-104 (4.5 mg, low-dose naltrexone hydrochloride delayed-release capsules) (“SP-104”), a novel low-dose delayed-release naltrexone hydrochloride being developed for the treatment of fibromyalgia, for which Phase 1 trials were completed in the second quarter of 2022.

Scilex Holding Company is headquartered in Palo Alto, California.

### **Forward-Looking Statements**

This press release and any statements made for and during any presentation or meeting concerning the matters discussed in this press release contain forward-looking statements related to Scilex and its subsidiaries under the safe harbor provisions of Section 21E of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected. Forward-looking statements include statements regarding Scilex’s beliefs as to the extent of short selling and market manipulation of its stock and that of Sorrento and any potential violations of law and legal challenges with respect to the foregoing that are described in this press release.

Risks and uncertainties that could cause Scilex’s actual results to differ materially and adversely from those expressed in our forward-looking statements, include, but are not limited to: risks associated with the unpredictability of trading markets and whether a market will be established for Scilex’s common stock; general economic, political and business conditions; risks related to COVID-19 (and other similar disruptions); the risk that the potential product candidates that Scilex develops may not progress through clinical development or receive required regulatory approvals within expected timelines or at all; risks relating to uncertainty regarding the regulatory pathway for Scilex’s product candidates; the risk that Scilex will be unable to successfully market or gain market acceptance of its product candidates; the risk that Scilex’s product candidates may not be beneficial to patients or successfully commercialized; the risk that Scilex has overestimated the size of the target patient population, their willingness to try new therapies and the willingness of physicians to prescribe these therapies; risks that the outcome of the trials and studies for SP-102, SP-103 or SP-104 may not be successful or reflect positive outcomes; risks that the prior results of the clinical and investigator-initiated trials of SP-102 (SEMDEXA™), SP-103 or SP-104 may not be replicated; regulatory and intellectual property risks; and other risks and uncertainties indicated from time to time and other risks described in Scilex’s most recent periodic reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including Scilex’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2023 and subsequent Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q that the Company has filed or may file, including the risk factors set forth in those filings. Investors are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date of this release, and Scilex undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statement in this press release except as may be required by law.

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