# 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): August 20, 2012

# **BioTime**, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**California** (State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

1-12830

(Commission File Number)

**94-3127919** (IRS Employer Identification No.)

1301 Harbor Bay Parkway, Suite 100 Alameda, California 94502

(Address of principal executive offices)

(510) 521-3390

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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Statements made in this Report that are not historical facts may constitute forward-looking statements that are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those discussed. Such risks and uncertainties include but are not limited to those discussed in this report and in BioTime's other reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Words such as "expects," "may," "will," "anticipates," "intends," "plans," "believes," "estimates," and similar expressions identify forward-looking statements.

## Section 8 - Other Events

## Item 8.01 - Other Events.

On August 20, 2012 we entered into an amendment to our License Agreement with the University of Utah that expanded the field of use for which we are licensed to produce and market products covered by the core patents underlying our  $HyStem^{\$}$  technology. Under the amendment, we now have a worldwide license for all uses, with the exception of veterinary medicine and animal health. Our licensed field of use includes, but is not limited to, all human pharmaceutical and medical device applications, all tissue engineering and regenerative medicine uses, and all research applications. Previously, our license in the United States was not exclusive and the fields of use of the technology permitted by the license were not as broad. For example, prior to the amendment, our right to use the licensed technology as an *in vivo* medical device in the United States was limited to products and methods such as our *Renevia*<sup>TM</sup> product in which living tissue or cells are incorporated outside the body into a polymer platform at a facility other than the point-of-care facility at which the device would be implanted into a patient for therapeutic use.

We agreed to pay an additional license fee for the additional rights licensed to us and the costs of filing, prosecuting, enforcing and maintaining the patents exclusively licensed to us and a portion of those costs for patents that have been licensed to a third party for a different field of use. Our cost of obtaining the additional license rights will be offset in part by the elimination of our obligation to pay the minimum royalties that otherwise would have become payable during 2013.

Commencing in five years, we may, under certain circumstances, be obligated to sublicense to one or more third parties, on commercially reasonable terms to be negotiated between us and each prospective sublicensee, or re-grant to the University, rights to use the licensed patents for products and services we or our affiliates are not developing or commercializing, or have plans to develop or commercialize, using the licensed technology.

We issued a press release announcing the amendment. A copy of the press release is filed as an exhibit to this report.

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#### Section 9 - Financial Statements and Exhibits

# Item 9.01 - Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit Number Description

99.1 Press Release Dated August 27, 2012

#### 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.

# **BIOTIME, INC.**

Date: August 27, 2012

By: /s/ Peter S. Garcia

Chief Financial Officer

Exhibit Number Description

99.1 Press Release Dated August 27, 2012.

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# BioTime Obtains Expanded License to *HyStem*<sup>®</sup> Technology

# - BioTime now holds exclusive worldwide license for all human medical applications of the core *HyStem*<sup>®</sup> technology -

ALAMEDA, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--August 27, 2012--BioTime, Inc. (NYSE MKT: BTX) announced that the company has amended its license from the University of Utah to expand the field of use for which BioTime is licensed to produce and market products covered by the core patents underlying *HyStem*<sup>®</sup> technology. Under the amended license, BioTime now is licensed worldwide for all uses, with the exception of veterinary medicine and animal health. The field of use includes, but is not limited to, all human pharmaceutical and medical device applications, all tissue engineering and regenerative medicine uses, and all research applications. Previously, BioTime's license in the United States was not exclusive and the fields of use of the technology permitted by the license were not as broad.

"We are pleased to have an exclusive license to the full spectrum of human medical products possible with  $HyStem^{\$}$ ," said William Tew, Ph.D., Chief Commercial Officer at BioTime. "In addition to *Renevia*<sup>TM</sup> which is currently in preclinical studies, we have initiated development programs for additional products that are planned as relatively near-term sources of revenue while strategically laying the foundation for the wide array of cell-based regenerative therapies that may be developed based on stem cell sciences."

## About BioTime, Inc.

BioTime, headquartered in Alameda, California, is a biotechnology company focused on regenerative medicine and blood plasma volume expanders. Its broad platform of stem cell technologies is enhanced through subsidiaries focused on specific fields of application. BioTime develops and markets research products in the field of stem cells and regenerative medicine, including a wide array of proprietary  $ACTCellerate^{TM}$  cell lines.  $HvStem^{\mathbb{R}}$  hydrogels, culture media, and differentiation kits. BioTime is developing Renevia<sup>TM</sup> (formerly known as  $HyStem^{\mathbb{R}}$ -Rx), a biocompatible, implantable hyaluronan and collagen-based matrix for cell delivery in human clinical applications. BioTime's therapeutic product development strategy is pursued through subsidiaries that focus on specific organ systems and related diseases for which there is a high unmet medical need. BioTime's majority owned subsidiary Cell Cure Neurosciences Ltd. is developing therapeutic products derived from stem cells for the treatment of retinal and neural degenerative diseases. BioTime's subsidiary OrthoCyte Corporation is developing therapeutic applications of stem cells to treat orthopedic diseases and injuries. Another subsidiary, OncoCyte Corporation, focuses on the diagnostic and therapeutic applications of stem cell technology in cancer, including the diagnostic product  $PanC-Dx^{TM}$  currently being developed for the detection of cancer in blood samples. ReCyte Therapeutics, Inc. is developing applications of BioTime's proprietary induced pluripotent stem cell technology to reverse the developmental aging of human cells to treat cardiovascular and blood cell diseases. BioTime's subsidiary, LifeMap Sciences, Inc., markets *GeneCards*<sup>®</sup>, the leading human gene database, and is developing an integrated database suite to complement  $GeneCards^{\mathbb{R}}$  that will also include the  $LifeMap^{TM}$  database of embryonic development, stem cell research and regenerative medicine, and *MalaCards*, the human disease database. LifeMap will also market BioTime research products. BioTime's lead product, Hextend<sup>®</sup>, is a blood plasma volume expander manufactured and distributed in the U.S. by Hospira, Inc. and in South Korea by CJ CheilJedang Corporation under exclusive licensing agreements. Additional information about BioTime can be found on the web at www.biotimeinc.com.

## Forward-Looking Statements

Statements pertaining to future financial and/or operating results, future growth in research, technology, clinical development, and potential opportunities for BioTime and its subsidiaries, along with other statements about the future expectations, beliefs, goals, plans, or prospects expressed by management constitute forward-looking statements. Any statements that are not historical fact (including, but not limited to statements that contain words such as "will," "believes," "plans," "anticipates," "expects," "estimates") should also be considered to be forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties, including, without limitation, risks inherent in the development and/or commercialization of potential products, uncertainty in the results of clinical trials or regulatory approvals, need and ability to obtain future capital, and maintenance of intellectual property rights. Actual results may differ materially from the results anticipated in these forward-looking statements and as such should be evaluated together with the many uncertainties that affect the business of BioTime and its subsidiaries, particularly those mentioned in the cautionary statements found in BioTime's Securities and Exchange Commission filings. BioTime disclaims any intent or obligation to update these forward-looking statements.

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