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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): November 17, 2017

GERON CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of

incorporation)

0-20859

(Commission File Number)

75-2287752 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

149 COMMONWEALTH DRIVE, SUITE 2070 MENLO PARK, CALIFORNIA 94025

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(650) 473-7700

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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))
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.

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Item 5.03 Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.

On November 17, 2017, the Board of Directors of Geron Corporation (the Company) adopted an amendment (the Amendment) to the Company s Amended and Restated Bylaws (the Bylaws), effective immediately, to add a new article to the Bylaws. The new article provides that, unless the Company consents in writing to the selection of an alternative forum, the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware shall be the sole and exclusive forum for (i) any derivative action or proceeding brought on behalf of the Company, (ii) any action asserting a claim of breach of a fiduciary duty owed by any director, officer or other employee of the Company to the Company or the Company s stockholders, (iii) any action asserting a claim arising pursuant to any provision of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, the Company s certificate of incorporation or the Bylaws, or (iv) any action asserting a claim governed by the internal affairs doctrine.

The foregoing summary of the Amendment is qualified in its entirety by reference to the complete text of the Amendment, a copy of which is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 3.4 and incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit

Number Description

3.4 Amendment to Amended and Restated Bylaws of Geron Corporation

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SIGNATURE

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.

GERON CORPORATION

Date: November 22, 2017 By: /s/ Stephen N. Rosenfield Stephen N. Rosenfield

Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

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