

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 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): April 3, 2025

SmartKem, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-42115
(Commission
File Number)

85-1083654
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

**Manchester Technology Center, Hexagon Tower
Delaunays Road, Blackley
Manchester, M9 8GQ U.K.**
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

011-44-161-721-1514
(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))

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

<u>Title of each class</u>	<u>Trading Symbol(s)</u>	<u>Name of exchange on which registered</u>
Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share	SMTK	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 (17 CFR - 230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b - 2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR - 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 5.08 Shareholder Director Nominations.

On April 3, 2025, the Board of Directors (the "Board") of SmartKem, Inc. (the "Company"), set May 28, 2025 as the date of the Company's 2025 annual meeting of stockholders (the "2025 Annual Meeting"). The Board also established April 14, 2025 as the record date for determining stockholders entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the 2025 Annual Meeting.

The date of the 2025 Annual Meeting will be more than 30 days prior to the anniversary of the Company's 2024 annual meeting of stockholders. Accordingly, the deadline for submission of proposals by stockholders for inclusion in the Company's proxy materials in accordance with Rule 14a-8 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), will be April 14, 2025. Any such proposal must also meet the requirements set forth in the rules and regulations of the Exchange Act in order to be eligible for inclusion in the proxy materials for the 2025 Annual Meeting.

In addition, to comply with the universal proxy rules, stockholders who intend to solicit proxies in support of director nominees other than nominees approved by the Board must provide notice that sets forth the information required by Rule 14a-19 under the Exchange Act.

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.

April 4, 2025

SmartKem, Inc.

By: /s/ Barbra Keck

Name: Barbra Keck

Title: Chief Financial Officer
