# 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): July 15, 2022

## **Checkpoint Therapeutics, Inc.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-38128

(Commission File Number)

47-2568632

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

95 Sawyer Road, Suite 110, Waltham, MA 02453

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(781) 652-4500

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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 Exchange Act:

Ī	Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
	Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share	CKPT	NASDAQ Capital Market

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 x

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. x

#### Item 4.01. Changes in Registrant's Certifying Accountant.

On July 15, 2022, the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors of Checkpoint Therapeutics, Inc. (the "Company"), unanimously voted to dismiss BDO USA, LLP ("BDO") as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm and to engage KPMG LLP ("KPMG") as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the 2022 fiscal year.

BDO's reports on the Company's financial statements for each of the fiscal years ended December 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020 did not contain an adverse opinion or a disclaimer of opinion and were not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles. During the Company's fiscal years ended December 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020, and through the date of dismissal, there were no disagreements with BDO on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosure, or auditing scope or procedure which, if not resolved to the satisfaction of BDO, would have caused BDO to make reference to the subject matter of the disagreement in connection with its report.

During the fiscal years ended December 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020 and the subsequent period through the date of dismissal, there have been no reportable events within the meaning of Item 304(a)(1)(v) of Regulation S-K promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC").

During the fiscal years ended December 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020 and the subsequent period to the date of its engagement, neither the Company nor anyone acting on its behalf has consulted with KPMG regarding (i) the application of accounting principles to a specific transaction, either completed or proposed, or the type of audit opinion that might be rendered on the Company's financial statements, and neither a written report or oral advice was provided to the Company that KPMG concluded was an important factor considered by the Company in reaching a decision as to any accounting, auditing, or financial reporting issue; (ii) any matter that was the subject of a disagreement within the meaning of Item 304(a)(1)(iv) of Regulation S-K; or (iii) any reportable event within the meaning of Item 304(a)(1)(v) of Regulation S-K.

The Company provided BDO with a copy of this Form 8-K on July 20, 2022, and requested that BDO furnish it with a letter addressed to the SEC stating whether it agrees with the statements made by the Company in this Item 4.01 concerning BDO, and, if not, stating the respects in which it does not agree. The letter of BDO addressed to the SEC is attached hereto as Exhibit No. 16.1.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

#### (d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Exhibit	
<u>16.1</u>	Letter from BDO USA, LLP, dated July 21, 2022.	
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (the cover page tags are embedded within the Inline XBRL document).	

### 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.

Date: July 21, 2022

**Checkpoint Therapeutics, Inc.** 

(Registrant)

By /s/ James F. Oliviero

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July 21, 2022

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We have been furnished with a copy of the response to Item 4.01 of Form 8-K for the event that occurred on July 15, 2022, to be filed by our former client, Checkpoint Therapeutics, Inc. We agree with the statements made in response to that Item insofar as they relate to our Firm.

Very truly yours,

BDOUSA, LLP

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