Registration No. 333-

#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM S-8 REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

**Outlook Therapeutics, Inc.** 

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of Incorporation or organization)

485 Route 1 South Building F, Suite 320 Iselin, New Jersey (Address of principal executive offices)

38-3982704

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

**08830** (Zip code)

2015 Equity Incentive Plan 2016 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (Full title of the plan)

Lawrence A. Kenyon Chief Financial Officer Outlook Therapeutics, Inc. 485 Route 1 South Building F, Suite 320 Iselin, New Jersey 08830 (Name and address of agent for service)

(609) 619-3990 (Telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

> Copies to: Yvan-Claude Pierre Courtney M.W. Tygesson Cooley LLP 110 N. Wacker Drive Suite 4200 Chicago, IL 60606-1511 (312) 881-6500

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer  $\Box$ Non-accelerated filer  $\boxtimes$  Accelerated filer  $\Box$ Smaller reporting company  $\boxtimes$ Emerging growth company  $\Box$ 

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 7(a)(2)(B) of the Securities Act.  $\Box$ 

### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

The Registrant is filing this registration statement on Form S-8 (the "*Registration Statement*") for the purpose of registering up to an additional 401,386 shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "*Common Stock*"), comprising (i) 390,386 shares of Common Stock issuable to eligible persons under the 2015 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended (the "*Incentive Plan*"), all of which may be issued upon the exercise of outstanding options granted under the Incentive Plan and (ii) 11,000 shares of its Common Stock issuable to eligible persons under the 2016 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, which Common Stock is in addition to the shares of Common Stock registered on the Registrant's Form S-8s filed on May 13, 2016 (File No. 333-211362), February 15, 2017 (File No. 333-216081), February 15, 2018 (File No. 333-223064), February 14, 2019 (File No. 333-229685), September 30, 2019 (File No. 333-234024), February 14, 2020 (File No. 333-236471), March 26, 2021 (File No. 333-254777), February 15, 2022 (File No. 333-262731) and February 14, 2023 (File No. 333-269770) (the "*Prior Form S-8s*").

#### PART II

### INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

#### ITEM 3. INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE

Pursuant to General Instruction E to Form S-8, the contents of the Prior Form S-8s filed by the Registrant are incorporated by reference herein. In addition, the following documents filed by the Registrant with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") are incorporated by reference into this Registration Statement:

- (a) The Registrant's latest annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023, filed with the SEC on <u>December 22</u>, 2023, as amended by Amendment No. 1, filed with the SEC on <u>January 24, 2024</u>;
- (b) The Registrant's quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended December 31, 2023, filed with the SEC on <u>February 14</u>, 2024;
- (c) The Registrant's current reports on Form 8-K, filed with the SEC on <u>October 20, 2023</u>, <u>November 2, 2023</u>, <u>December 6, 2023</u>, <u>January 24, 2024</u>, <u>March 7, 2024</u>, <u>March 18, 2024</u> and <u>March 26, 2024</u>.
- (d) The description of the Registrant's Common Stock contained in the Registrant's registration statement on Form 8-A, filed with the SEC on <u>April 29, 2016</u>, as amended on <u>May 11, 2016</u>, including any further amendments thereto or reports filed for the purposes of updating such description, including <u>Exhibit 4.1</u> of the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023, filed with the SEC on December 22, 2023; and
- (e) All documents, reports and definitive proxy or information statements filed by the Registrant pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, (other than current reports furnished under Item 2.02 or Item 7.01 of Form 8-K and exhibits furnished on such form that relate to such items) on or after the date of this Registration Statement and prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement that indicates that all securities offered have been sold or that deregisters all securities then remaining unsold shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement and to be part hereof from the date of filing of such documents. Any statement contained in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this Registration Statement to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any subsequently filed document that also is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this Registration Statement.

# **ITEM 8. EXHIBITS**

Exhibit	
Number	Description
4.1	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Registrant (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Registrant's current
	report on Form 8-K, filed with the SEC on May 19, 2016).
<u>4.2</u>	Certificate of Amendment to the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the
	Registrant's current report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on December 6, 2018).
<u>4.3</u>	Certificate of Amendment to the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the
	Registrant's current report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on March 18, 2019).
<u>4.4</u>	Certificate of Amendment to the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the
	Registrant's current report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on March 26, 2021).
<u>4.5</u>	Certificate of Amendment to Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the
	Registrant's current report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on March 30, 2023, as subsequently amended).
<u>4.6</u>	Certificate of Amendment to Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the
	Registrant's current report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on March 7, 2024, as subsequently amended).
<u>4.7</u>	Certificate of Amendment to Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the
	Registrant's current report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on March 18, 2024, as subsequently amended).
<u>4.8</u>	Second Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Registrant (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the Registrant's current report on
	Form 8-K, filed with the SEC on March 26, 2021).
<u>5.1*</u>	Opinion of Cooley LLP
<u>23.1*</u>	Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm to Outlook Therapeutics, Inc.
<u>23.2*</u> <u>24.1*</u>	Consent of Cooley LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1)
<u>24.1*</u>	Power of Attorney (see signature page hereto)
<u>99.1</u>	2015 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended and restated (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 to the Registrant's current report on Form
	<u>8-K filed with the SEC on September 18, 2020).</u>
<u>99.2</u>	Forms of agreements and award grant notices under 2015 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to
	the Registrant's registration statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-209011), filed with the SEC on January 15, 2016).
<u>99.3</u>	2016 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.5 to the Registrant's registration statement on Form S-1
	(File No. 333-209011) filed with the SEC on February 12, 2016).
<u>107*</u>	<u>Filing Fee Table</u>

\* Filed herewith.

## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Iselin, New Jersey, on March 28, 2024.

#### **Outlook Therapeutics, Inc.**

By: /s/ Lawrence A. Kenyon

Lawrence A. Kenyon Chief Financial Officer

#### POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below hereby constitutes and appoints Lawrence A. Kenyon and C. Russell Trenary III, and each of them, his or her true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for him or her and in his or her name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments (including post-effective amendments) to this Registration Statement, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in connection therewith, as fully to all intents and purposes as he or she might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents, or each of them, or their or his or her substitutes or substitute, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Title	Date		
/s/ C. Russell Trenary III C. Russell Trenary III	President and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)	March 28, 2024		
/s/ Lawrence A. Kenyon Lawrence A. Kenyon	Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer, Secretary and Director (Principal Accounting and Financial Officer)	March 28, 2024		
/s/ Ralph H. Thurman Ralph H. Thurman	Executive Chairman	March 28, 2024		
/s/ Gerd Auffarth Gerd Auffarth	Director	March 28, 2024		
/s/ Julian Gangolli Julian Gangolli	Director	March 28, 2024		
/s/ Yezan Haddadin Yezan Haddadin	Director	March 28, 2024		
/s/ Kurt J. Hilzinger Kurt J. Hilzinger	Director	March 28, 2024		
/s/ Andong Huang Andong Huang	Director	March 28, 2024		
/s/ Faisal Sukhtian Faisal Sukhtian	Director	March 28, 2024		
/s/ Julia A. Haller Julia A. Haller	Director	March 28, 2024		



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March 28, 2024

Outlook Therapeutics, Inc. 485 Route 1 South Building F, Suite 320 Iselin, New Jersey 08830

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as counsel to Outlook Therapeutics, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "*Company*"), in connection with the filing by the Company of a Registration Statement on Form S-8 (the "*Registration Statement*") with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "*Commission*") covering the offering of up to 401,386 shares (the "*Shares*") of the Company's common stock, par value \$0.01 per share ("*Common Stock*"), consisting of (i) 390,386 shares of Common Stock that may be issued pursuant to the Company's 2015 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended (the "*2015 Plan*") and (ii) 11,000 shares of Common Stock that may be issued pursuant to the Company's 2016 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (together with the 2015 Plan, the "*Plans*").

In connection with this opinion, we have examined and relied upon (a) the Registration Statement and the related prospectuses, (b) the Company's certificate of incorporation and bylaws, each as currently in effect, (c) the Plans and (d) such other records, documents, opinions, certificates, memoranda and instruments as in our judgment are necessary or appropriate to enable us to render the opinion expressed below. We have assumed the genuineness of all signatures, the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals, the conformity to originals of all documents submitted to us as copies, the accuracy, completeness and authenticity of certificates of public officials, and the due authorization, execution and delivery of all documents by all persons other than the Company where authorization, execution and delivery are prerequisites to the effectiveness thereof. As to certain factual matters, we have relied upon a certificate of an officer of the Company and have not independently verified such matters.

Our opinion is expressed only with respect to the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware. We express no opinion to the extent that any other laws are applicable to the subject matter hereof and express no opinion and provide no assurance as to compliance with any federal or state securities law, rule or regulation.

On the basis of the foregoing, and in reliance thereon, we are of the opinion that the Shares, when sold and issued in accordance with the Plans, the Registration Statement and the related prospectuses, will be validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable (except as to shares issued pursuant to deferred payment arrangements, which will be fully paid and nonassessable when such deferred payments are made in full).

This opinion is limited to the matters expressly set forth in this letter, and no opinion should be implied, or may be inferred, beyond the matters expressly stated. This opinion speaks only as to law and facts in effect or existing as of the date hereof and we have no obligation or responsibility to update or supplement this opinion to reflect any facts or circumstances that may hereafter come to our attention or any changes in law that may hereafter occur.

We consent to the filing of this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement. In giving such consent, we do not thereby admit that we are in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder.

Sincerely,

COOLEY LLP

By: /s/ Yvan-Claude Pierre Yvan-Claude Pierre

## **Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm**

We consent to the use of our report dated December 22, 2023 with respect to the consolidated financial statements of Outlook Therapeutics, Inc., incorporated herein by reference.

/s/ KPMG LLP

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania March 28, 2024

#### **Calculation of Filing Fee Tables**

#### Form S-8 (Form Type)

#### <u>Outlook Therapeutics, Inc.</u> (Exact name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Table 1 - Newly Registered Securities

Security Type	Security Class Title	Fee Calculation Rule	Amount Registered <sup>(1)</sup>	Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Unit	Maximum Aggregate Offering Price	Fee Rate	Amount of Registration Fee
Equity Equity	Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share, issued pursuant to the 2015 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share, reserved for issuance	Rule 457(h) <sup>(2)</sup>	390,386 <sup>(3)</sup>	\$6.78 <sup>(2)</sup>	\$2,646,817.08		
	pursuant to the 2016 Employee Stock Purchase Plan	Rule 457(c) and (h)(4)	11,000 <sup>(4)</sup>	\$10.01 <sup>(5)</sup>	\$110,110.00	0.0001476	\$16.25
Total Offering Amounts				_	\$2,756,927.08	-	\$406.92
Total Fees Previously Paid				_	_	_	_
Total Fee Offsets				_	_	_	_
Net Fee Due				_	_	_	\$406.92

- (1) Pursuant to Rule 416(a) promulgated under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), this Registration Statement shall also cover any additional shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 (the "Common Stock"), of Outlook Therapeutics, Inc. (the "Registrant") that become issuable under the above-mentioned plans, set forth herein by reason of any stock dividend, stock split, recapitalization or other similar transaction effected that results in an increase to the number of outstanding shares of Common Stock.
- (2) The proposed maximum offering price per share and proposed maximum aggregate offering price are calculated using the exercise price for such outstanding stock options.
- (3) Represents 390,386 shares of common stock that may be issued upon the exercise of outstanding options granted under the 2015 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended (the "2015 EIP"). These shares of common stock were reserved for issuance under the 2015 EIP via the automatic increase provision of the 2015 EIP. The number of shares of Common Stock reserved for issuance under the 2015 EIP automatically increases on January 1st each year, starting on January 1, 2017 and continuing through January 1, 2025, by the lesser of (A) 3% of the total number of shares of Common Stock outstanding on December 31st of the immediately preceding calendar year and (B) a number determined by the Registrant's board of directors.
- (4) Represents 11,000 shares of Common Stock reserved for issuance under the 2016 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the "2016 ESPP") by reason of the automatic increase provision of the 2016 ESPP. The number of shares reserved for issuance under the 2016 ESPP automatically increases on January 1st each year, starting on January 1, 2017 and continuing through January 1, 2026, by the lesser of (i) 1% of the total number of shares of Common Stock outstanding on December 31st of the preceding calendar year, (ii) 11,000 shares of Common Stock (as adjusted for the Registrant's 1-for-20 reverse stock split effected on March 14, 2024) and (iii) a number determined by the Registrant's board of directors.
- (5) Estimated in accordance with Rule 457(c) and 457(h) under the Securities Act solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee on the basis of the average of the high (\$11.72) and low (\$8.30) sale prices of the Registrant's Common Stock as reported on The Nasdaq Capital Market on March 22, 2024, which is a date within five business days prior to filing this Registration Statement.