UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of January 2022

Commission File Number: 001-37384

GALAPAGOS NV

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Generaal De Wittelaan L11 A3 2800 Mechelen, Belgium

(Address of principal executive office)

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The information contained in this Report on Form 6-K, including Exhibit 99.1, is hereby incorporated by reference into the Company's Registration Statements on Forms F-3 (File No. 333-230639) and S-8 (File Nos. 333-204567, 333-208697, 333-211834, 333-215783, 333-218160, 333-225263, 333-231765, 333-249416 and 333-260500).

On January 13, 2022, the Registrant issued a press release, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

(c) Exhibit 99.1. Press release dated January 13, 2022

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, thereunto duly authorized.

GALAPAGOS NV

(Registrant)

Date: January 13, 2022

/s/ MARIE-THÉODORA VANDEWIELE Marie-Théodora Vandewiele Company Secretary

Galapagos creates new subscription right plan

Mechelen, Belgium; 13 January 2022, 22.01 CET; regulated information – Galapagos NV (Euronext & NASDAQ: GLPG) announced today that its supervisory board created 30,000 subscription rights under a new employee subscription right plan.

On 13 January 2022, the supervisory board of Galapagos approved a subscription right plan intended for an employee of a subsidiary of the Company (not intended for members of the management board of the Company), within the framework of the authorized capital. Under this subscription right plan, 30,000 subscription rights were created (subject to acceptance). The subscription rights have an exercise term of eight years as of the date of the offer and an exercise price of &46.18 (the closing price of the Galapagos share on Euronext Amsterdam and Brussels on the day preceding the date of the offer). Further details are available on the Galapagos website.

Galapagos' total share capital currently amounts to €354,582,005.11; the total number of securities conferring voting rights is 65,552,721, which is also the total number of voting rights (the "denominator"), and all securities conferring voting rights and all voting rights are of the same category. The total number of rights to subscribe to not yet issued securities conferring voting rights is (i) 8,579,287 subscription rights under several outstanding employee subscription right plans, which equals 8,579,287 voting rights that may result from the exercise of those subscription rights, and (ii) one subscription right issued to Gilead Therapeutics to subscribe for a maximum number of shares that is sufficient to bring the shareholding of Gilead and its affiliates to 29.9% of the actually issued and outstanding shares after the exercise of the subscription right. This excludes the 30,000 subscription rights of the newly issued subscription right plan, which were created subject to acceptance. Galapagos does not have any convertible bonds or shares without voting rights outstanding.

About Galapagos

Galapagos NV discovers, develops, and commercializes small molecule medicines with novel modes of action. Our pipeline comprises discovery through Phase 3 programs in inflammation, fibrosis, and other indications. Our ambition is to become a leading global biopharmaceutical company focused on the discovery, development, and commercialization of innovative medicines. More information at www.glpg.com.

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