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): September 1, 2024

BARINTHUS BIOTHERAPEUTICS PLC

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

England and Wales (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 001-40367 (Commission File Number) Not Applicable (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

Barinthus Biotherapeutics plc Unit 6-10, Zeus Building Rutherford Avenue, Harwell, Didcot, OX11 0DF United Kingdom (Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

+44 (0) 1865 818 808 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable (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> American Depositary Shares <u>Trade Symbol(s)</u> BRNS Name of each exchange on which registered The Nasdaq Global Market

Ordinary shares, nominal value £0.000025 per share*

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 \square

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. \Box

*American Depositary Shares may be evidenced by American Depositary Receipts. Each American Depositary Share represents one (1) ordinary share. Not for trading, but only in connection with the listing of the American Depositary Shares on The Nasdaq Global Market. The American Depositary Shares represent the right to receive ordinary shares and are being registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, pursuant to a separate Registration Statement on Form F-6. Accordingly, the American Depositary Shares are exempt from the operation of Section 12(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, pursuant to Rule 12a-8.

Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

Effective September 1, 2024 (the "Effective Date"), Barinthus Biotherapeutics plc (the "Company") has promoted Graham Griffiths, the Company's Chief Business Officer, to Chief Operating Officer.

Mr. Griffiths has been the Company's Chief Business Officer since October 2017. Prior to becoming the Company's Chief Business Officer, Mr. Griffiths served as Chief Operating Officer, co-founder and a member of the board of directors of Agalimmune Limited, a clinical stage biotechnology company, from May 2013 to September 2017. Mr. Griffiths received a BA Hons degree from Newcastle University.

In connection with Mr. Griffiths promotion to the Chief Operating Officer, Mr. Griffiths' salary was increased to £336,144, effective as of the Effective Date.

There are no arrangements or understandings between Mr. Griffiths and any other persons pursuant to which Mr. Griffiths was promoted to the Chief Operating Officer. There are no family relationships between Mr. Griffiths, on the one hand, and any director, executive officer or any other person nominated or chosen by the Company to become a director or executive officer, on the other. There are no related person transactions (within the meaning of Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission) between Mr. Griffiths, on the one hand, and the Company, on the other.

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: September 5, 2024

Barinthus Biotherapeutics plc

By: /s/ William Enright

William Enright Chief Executive Officer