
**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): January 29, 2020

TELA Bio, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)**

**3841
(Primary Standard Industrial
Classification Code Number)**

**45-5320061
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)**

**1 Great Valley Parkway, Suite 24, Malvern,
Pennsylvania
(Address of principal executive offices)**

**19355
(Zip Code)**

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (484) 320-2930

**Not Applicable
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)**

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

<u>Title of Each Class</u>	<u>Trading Symbol</u>	<u>Name of Exchange on Which Registered</u>
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	TELA	Nasdaq Global Market

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

None

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- 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))

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

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 8.01 Other Events

On January 29, 2020, TELA Bio, Inc. (the “*Company*”) issued a press release announcing the appointment of Peter Murphy as the Company’s Chief Commercial Officer. A copy of this press release is filed as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

The following exhibits are being filed herewith:

Exhibit No.	Document
<u>99.1</u>	<u>Press Release of TELA Bio, Inc., dated January 29, 2020</u>

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.

TELA BIO, INC.

By: /s/ Antony Koblisch

Name: *Antony Koblisch*

Title: *President, Chief Executive Officer and Director*

Date: January 29, 2020



TELA Bio Announces Appointment of New Chief Commercial Officer

MALVERN, Pa., January 29, 2020 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- TELA Bio, Inc. ("TELA") (Nasdaq: TELA), a commercial stage medical technology company focused on designing, developing and marketing a new category of tissue reinforcement materials to address unmet needs in soft tissue reconstruction, today announces the appointment of Peter Murphy to the newly created role of Chief Commercial Officer. In this position, Mr. Murphy will be responsible for the Company's continued strategic expansion of its commercial operations.

"Peter brings tremendous experience at top healthcare companies to build on our momentum as a commercial organization and bolster our efforts in creating a cohesive commercial organization dedicated to serving the needs of our patients, surgeons and hospital customers," said Antony Koblisch, co-founder, President and Chief Executive Officer of TELA Bio. "His expertise will be a valuable addition to our leadership team."

Mr. Murphy joins TELA with more than 20 years of commercial sales and marketing experience at leading medical device and pharmaceutical companies, including Medtronic Spine & Biologics, Stryker, and Smith Kline Beecham. Most recently, he was Vice President of Sales at Pacira Pharmaceuticals, where he led the development, management, expansion and execution of a product sales team in the U.S.

"I'm excited to join the TELA senior leadership team at this exciting and pivotal time, as the Company expands its marketing activities to support the ongoing commercialization of its OviTex and OviTex PRS product lines, bringing new and transformative soft tissue reconstruction options to patients," said Mr. Murphy.

About TELA Bio, Inc.

TELA Bio, Inc. is a commercial stage medical technology company focused on designing, developing and marketing a new category of tissue reinforcement materials to address unmet needs in soft tissue reconstruction. TELA's products are designed to improve on shortcomings of existing biologics and minimize long-term exposure to permanent synthetic material. TELA's portfolio is supported by quality, data-driven science and extensive pre-clinical research that has consistently demonstrated advantages over other commercially available products.

Caution Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

This press release may contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Words such as “may,” “might,” “will,” “should,” “believe,” “expect,” “anticipate,” “estimate,” “continue,” “predict,” “forecast,” “project,” “plan,” “intend” or similar expressions, or statements regarding intent, belief, or current expectations are forward-looking statements and reflect the current beliefs of TELA’s management. These statements are not guarantees of future performance and are subject to certain risks, uncertainties and other factors that could cause actual results and events to differ materially and adversely from those indicated by such forward-looking statements including, among others: our ability to gain market acceptance for our products and to accurately forecast customer demand, our ability to enhance our product offerings, development and manufacturing problems, capacity constraints or delays in production of our products. These and other risks and uncertainties are described more fully in the “Risk Factors” section and elsewhere in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission and available at www.sec.gov, including in our prospectus dated November 7, 2019. Any forward-looking statements that we make in this announcement speak only as of the date of this press release, and TELA assumes no obligation to update forward-looking statements whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise after the date of this press release, except as required under applicable law.

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