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): December 06, 2022

HCW Biologics Inc.

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

2929 N. Commerce Parkway Miramar, Florida

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

001-40591 (Commission File Number) 82-5024477 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

> 33025 (Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: 954 842-2024

(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)

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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:

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

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).

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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 Event.

On December 6, 2022, HCW Biologics Inc. was granted U.S. Patent No. 11,518,792 by the United States Patent and Trademark Office which contains claims for construction of novel multi-function fusion immunotherapeutic compounds comprised of a multi-chain chimeric polypeptide where the first target-binding domain and the second target-binding domain is a soluble human transforming growth factor- β ("TGF- β ") receptor.

This patent provides intellectual property protection for the Company's lead drug candidate, HCW9218, a heterodimeric, bifunctional fusion protein complex comprising extracellular domains of human tissue factor as a scaffold with target binding domains of TGF- β receptor II, as a TGF- β trap for TGF- β neutralization, and a human interleukin ("IL")-15/IL-15 receptor α complex for immune cell stimulation.

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.

HCW BIOLOGICS INC.

Date: December 7, 2022

By: /s/ Hing C. Wong

Hing C. Wong, Founder and CEO