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): August 12, 2011

NEOSTEM, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

<u>Delaware</u> (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 001-33650 (Commission File Number) 22-2343568 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

<u>420 Lexington Avenue, Suite 450, New York, New York 10170</u> (Address of Principal Executive Offices)(Zip Code)

> (212) 584-4180 Registrant's Telephone Number

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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On August 15, 2011, NeoStem, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company" or "NeoStem"), issued a press release relating to, among other things, the results of the Company's second fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2011. A copy of this press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated into this Item 2.02 by reference.

In accordance with General Instruction B.2 of Form 8-K, the information in this Item 2.02 of this Current Report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liability of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Exchange Act or the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing, and as set forth in Item 8.01 herein.

Item 4.01. Changes in Registrant's Certifying Accountants.

As previously reported in NeoStem's Current Report on Form 8-K dated June 23, 2011, as amended, on June 23, 2011, Deloitte & Touche LLP ("Deloitte") informed NeoStem that it declined to stand for re-appointment as NeoStem's independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2011, but that it would complete the interim period review of NeoStem's financial statements for the quarterly period ended June 30, 2011.

Deloitte's engagement as NeoStem's independent registered public accounting firm did in fact end on August 12, 2011 with its completion of the interim period review of NeoStem's financial statements for the quarterly period ended June 30, 2011.

Deloitte's report on NeoStem's financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010 did not contain an adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles. During NeoStem's fiscal year ended December 31, 2010 and the subsequent interim periods through August 12, 2011, NeoStem had no disagreements with Deloitte on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosure or auditing scope or procedure, which disagreements, if not resolved to the satisfaction of Deloitte, would have caused it to make reference to the subject matter of the disagreements in its reports for such periods. During the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010, and the subsequent interim periods through August 12, 2011, there were no "reportable events," as defined in Item 304 (a)(1)(v) of Regulation S-K. Deloitte did not serve as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm prior to fiscal 2010.

The Audit Committee of NeoStem's Board of Directors is continuing its process to select a new accounting firm to serve as NeoStem's independent registered public accounting firm commencing with the interim period ending September 30, 2011.

In accordance with Item 4.01 of Form 8-K and Item 304 of Regulation S-K, the Company provided Deloitte with a copy of the foregoing disclosures contained in Item 4.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K and requested that Deloitte furnish the Company with a letter addressed to the Securities and Exchange Commission stating whether it agrees with the statements made by the Company in this Item 4.01 and, if not, stating the respects in which it does not agree. A copy of the letter furnished in response to that request (as required by Item 304(a)(3) of Regulation S-K) dated August 18, 2011, is filed as Exhibit 16.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On August 15, 2011, NeoStem issued a press release announcing that important progress has been made toward the commencement of a Phase 2 clinical trial of AMR-001, the lead product candidate of Amorcyte, Inc. ("Amorcyte"), for the treatment of acute myocardial infarction. As previously reported, on July 13, 2011, the Company entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger by and among the Company, AMO Acquisition Company I, Inc., AMO Acquisition Company II, LLC, and Amorcyte (the "Merger Agreement") relating to the Company's acquisition of Amorcyte. A copy of the press release is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 and the first four paragraphs thereof relating to AMR-001 are incorporated into this Item 8.01 by reference.

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Effective August 17, 2011, the Company appointed Dr. Andrew L. Pecora, age 53, as the Company's Chief Medical Officer. Dr. Pecora will also continue to serve as Chief Medical Officer of the Company's wholly-owned subsidiary, Progenitor Cell Therapy, LLC ("PCT"), a position he has held since the acquisition of PCT by the Company in January 2011. Prior thereto, Dr. Pecora had served from 1999 to 2011 as Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and Chief Medical Officer of PCT and as a member of PCT's Board of Managers, and continues to serve as the Chairman and Director of the Cancer Center at Hackensack University Medical Center since 2001, Managing Partner of the Northern New Jersey Cancer Associates since 1996 and a Professor of Medicine at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey since 2004, as well as Chief Scientific Advisor to Amorcyte and as a scientific advisor for numerous state, national and international organizations and member of various prestigious professional organizations and boards.

Forward-Looking Statements

This Current Report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1 hereto, contains "forward-looking" statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements are typically preceded by words such as "believes," "expects," "anticipates," "intends," "will," "may," "should," or similar expressions, although some forward-looking statements are expressed differently. Forward-looking statements represent the Company's management judgment regarding future events. Although the Company believes the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements are reasonable, the Company can give no assurance that such expectations will prove to be correct. All statements other than the statements of historical fact included in this Current Report on Form 8-K are forward-looking statements. The Company cannot guarantee the accuracy of the forward-looking statements due to a number of factors, including the statements under "Risk Factors" contained in the Company's reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC").

Additional Information About the Merger and Where to Find It

This Current Report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1 hereto, may be deemed to be solicitation material in respect of the proposed merger (the "Merger") between the Company and Amorcyte pursuant to the Merger Agreement. The directors and officers of each of NeoStem and Amorcyte may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies from the holders of the common stock of NeoStem, par value \$0.001 per share (the "Common Stock") in respect of the proposed Merger. Information about the directors and executive officers of NeoStem is set forth in Amendment No. 1 to NeoStem's Annual Report on Form 10-K/A for the year ended December 31, 2010 filed with the SEC on May 2, 2011. Investors may obtain additional information regarding NeoStem and its directors and officers, and Amorcyte and its Board of Directors and executive officers, in connection with the proposed Merger by reading the S-4 and the prospectus/joint proxy statement contained therein, when it becomes available. The S-4 will contain a prospectus/joint proxy statement pertaining to (a) the annual meeting of stockholders of NeoStem at which NeoStem's stockholders will be asked to approve the issuance of NeoStem securities in connection with the Merger and (b) the special meeting of stockholders of Amorcyte at which Amorcyte's stock holders will be asked to approve the Merger Agreement and Merger. At the appropriate time, NeoStem and Amorcyte will mail the joint proxy statement/prospectus to their stockholders. Investors and security holders are urged to read the joint proxy statement/prospectus when it becomes available because it will contain important information. You may obtain copies of all documents filed with the SEC regarding this transaction, free of charge, at the SEC's website (www.sec.gov). You may also obtain these documents, free of charge, from NeoStem's website (www.neostem.com) under the tab "Investors" and then under the heading "SEC Filings."

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Description
16.1	Letter, dated August 18, 2011, from Deloitte & Touche LLP to the Securities and Exchange Commission*
99.1	Press Release dated August 15, 2011**

* Filed with this Current Report on Form 8-K.

** Exhibit 99.1 is furnished and a portion thereof is filed (as described in Item 8.01) with this Current Report on Form 8-K.

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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.

NEOSTEM, INC.

By: /s/ Catherine M. Vaczy

Name: Catherine M. Vaczy Title: Vice President and General Counsel

Dated: August 18, 2011

August 18, 2011

Securities and Exchange Commission 100 F Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20549-7561

Dear Sirs/Madams:

We have read Item 4.01 of NeoStem, Inc.'s Form 8-K dated August 12, 2011, and have the following comments:

- 1. We agree with the statements made in the first, second, third and fifth paragraphs.
- 2. We have no basis on which to agree or disagree with the statements made in the fourth paragraph.

Yours truly,

/s/ DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP

Parsippany, New Jersey

NeoStem Provides Update on Amorcyte Clinical Progress and Reports Results for Second Quarter

Press Release Source: NeoStem, Inc. On Monday August 15, 2011, 9:06 am EDT

NEW YORK, Aug. 15, 2011 /PRNewswire/ -- NeoStem, Inc. (NYSE Amex: NBS) ("NeoStem" or the "Company"), an international biopharmaceutical company with a focus on cell based therapeutics development, today reported on important progress toward the commencement of a Phase II clinical trial for AMR-001, the lead product candidate of Amorcyte, Inc. ("Amorcyte") for the treatment of acute myocardial infarction. This comes after recent positive developments with respect to moving AMR-001 through the Food and Drug Administration's drug development process such that the Company is confident that the Phase II clinical trial will commence earlier than originally planned. NeoStem signed a definitive agreement to acquire Amorcyte on July 13, 2011.

Amorcyte's lead product, AMR-001, is an autologous stem cell treatment designed to prevent the major adverse cardiac events following acute myocardial infarction (AMI). Dr. Andrew Pecora, Amorcyte's Chief Scientific Officer, said, "We believe that there are data from several published clinical trials, including ours, demonstrating the potential effectiveness of a cell-based therapy for preserving cardiac function and preventing the adverse clinical events that usually follow a large myocardial infarction. Our clinical trial of AMR-001 yielded significant results, forming the basis for the Phase II trial. AMR-001 is a homogeneous, purified and enriched cell population for which investigators have established a biologically active, or threshold, dose." The Phase II trial has been designed to provide the Company and regulatory authorities a clear picture of the potential to improve perfusion, preserve cardiac function and improve clinical outcomes. The trial is expected to include 150 patients in a placebo controlled, double blind study. This design replicates that of the Phase I trial, but with substantially greater statistical power. A composite of cardiac measures, including clinically meaningful endpoints, will support the primary endpoint of perfusion. "Though the plan was to enroll the first patient early in 2012, we are now confident that we will begin the Phase II program ahead of schedule," said Dr. Pecora.

Dr. Robin Smith, NeoStem CEO, said, "We are thrilled to see Amorcyte advancing through the FDA's drug development process and moving forward with the Phase II clinical trial. We believe that AMR-001 represents a potential breakthrough therapy for a large unmet medical need. We see tremendous potential pharmacoeconomic benefit in this therapy, which we believe could change both the clinical adverse events associated with serious heart attacks and improve a patient's quality of life, all with one therapeutic intervention."

NeoStem continues its transition to cell based therapeutics and Progenitor Cell Therapy ("PCT's") capabilities in quality cell manufacturing are a key advantage in the development of AMR-001 as well as future cell-based therapeutics candidates the Company may pursue.

NeoStem reported its unaudited results for the three and six months ended June 30, 2011. Revenues for the three and six months ended June 30, 2011 were \$18.5 million and \$38.1 million compared to \$19.4 million and \$35.2 million for the same periods in 2010. Revenues in its Pharmaceutical Manufacturing – China business for the three and six months ended June 30, 2011 reflected lower sales due to a strategic decision by management to discontinue selling certain pharmaceutical intermediates to other pharmaceutical manufacturers, in order to create capacity within the existing production lines for higher margin products in the future.

Net losses attributable to NeoStem's controlling interests for the three and six months ended June 30, 2011 were \$10.8 million or \$0.13 per share (including \$4.6 million of non-cash equity-based compensation and \$2.4 million of depreciation and amortization), and \$21.1 million or \$0.27 per share (including \$6.7 million of non-cash equity-based compensation, \$4.6 million of depreciation and amortization, \$1.0 million of non-cash expenses related to the Series E Convertible Redeemable Preferred Stock, \$0.9 million of non-cash related in-process research and development expenses, and \$0.6 million of non-cash charitable contributions), respectively. Net losses attributable to our controlling interests for the three and six months ended June 30, 2010 were \$5.4 million, or \$0.11 per share (including \$2.3 million of non-cash equity-based compensation and \$0.7 million of depreciation and amortization), and \$10.1 million, or \$0.23 per share (including \$4.3 million of non-cash equity-based compensation and \$1.5 million of depreciation and amortization), respectively.

The Company invested \$5.2 million in capital expenditures during the first six months of 2011, primarily related to the construction of a new pharmaceutical manufacturing facility for its majority-owned subsidiary, Suzhou Erye Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.

As of June 30, 2011, the Company had cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash of \$9.7 million. On July 22, 2011, NeoStem completed a public offering of units raising gross proceeds of \$16.5 million which strengthens the Company's cash balance for future operations.

Since the acquisition of PCT, NeoStem has continued to make great progress in its mission to leverage the Company's core competencies and bring new cell based therapeutics to the marketplace, to transition to a developer of its own cell therapies and support the growth of PCT as a premier service provider to attract world-renowned clients and therapeutics partners. The recent capital raise to support this mission and pending acquisition of Amorcyte with a Phase II asset for AMI represent tangible evidence of its achievements. The Company sees the start of the Phase II AMR-001 trial, progress with its T-cell therapeutic program and other on-going business development initiatives as important milestones for its shareholders."

About NeoStem, Inc.

NeoStem is engaged in the development and manufacturing of cell-based therapies in the U.S. Its January, 2011 acquisition of Progenitor Cell Therapy, and its agreement to acquire Amorcyte (which is expected to close in the fourth quarter subject to shareholder approval) position NeoStem to achieve its mission of capturing the paradigm shift to cell therapy.

PCT not only gives NeoStem access to a world class contract manufacturing cell therapy company, but provides NeoStem a platform and expertise around the evaluation, development and regulatory requirements necessary to develop autologous, allogeneic, immunomodulatory and vaccine-based therapeutics.

NeoStem also holds the worldwide exclusive license to VSEL[™] Technology, which uses very small embryonic-like stem cells, shown to have several physical characteristics that are generally found in embryonic stem cells, and is pursuing the licensing of other technologies for therapeutic use. NeoStem owns 80% of Athelos Corporation, a company developing a T-cell therapeutic with potential in a range of auto-immune conditions such as graft versus host disease, asthma and diabetes. NeoStem's acquisition of Amorcyte, once the transaction is completed, will give the Company a Phase II asset for the treatment of acute myocardial infarctions and a Phase I asset for congestive heart failure. NeoStem will own 100% of the worldwide rights to the Amorcyte programs.

Furthermore, NeoStem is building its Chinese presence by establishing an operations lab for cell-based manufacturing in Beijing and is commercializing cellular therapies in China through the establishment of relationships with a network of hospitals.

NeoStem also owns a majority interest in Suzhou Erye Pharmaceutical Company Limited, a world class manufacturer and distributor of generic antibiotics in China, with reported revenues of \$69 million in 2010.

For more information on NeoStem, please visit www.neostem.com.

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This press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements reflect management's current expectations, as of the date of this press release, and involve certain risks and uncertainties. Forward looking statements include statements herein with respect to the successful execution of the Company's business and medical strategy, including with respect to the development of AMR-001 and the closing of the Amorcyte acquisition which remains subject to certain customary closing conditions, about which no assurance can be given. The Company's actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of various factors. Factors that could cause future results to materially differ from the recent results or those projected in forward-looking statements include the "Risk Factors" described in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 6, 2011, its Form 8-K filed on July 14, 2011 as well as other periodic filings made with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The Company's further development is highly dependent on future medical and research developments and market acceptance, which is outside its control.

For more information, please contact:

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