Registration No. 333-

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM S-8

REGISTRATION STATEMENT Under THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

Eton Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

21925 W. Field Parkway, Suite 235 Deer Park, Illinois (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

> 2018 Equity Incentive Plan 2018 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (Full titles of the plans)

Sean E. Brynjelsen President and Chief Executive Officer Eton Pharmaceuticals, Inc. 21925 W. Field Parkway, Suite 235 Deer Park, Illinois 60010

(847) 787-7361

(Name, address, and telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

Copies to:

Sean M. Clayton, Esq. James C. Pennington, Esq. Cooley LLP 4401 Eastgate Mall San Diego, California 92121 Tel: (858) 550-6000 Sean E. Brynjelsen President and Chief Executive Officer Eton Pharmaceuticals, Inc. 21925 W. Field Parkway, Suite 235 Deer Park, Illinois 60010 (847) 787-7361

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer	[]	Accelerated filer	[]
Non-accelerated filer	[X]	Smaller reporting company	[X]
		Emerging growth company	[X]

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 7(a)(2)(B) of the Securities Act. [X]

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

		Proposed	Proposed	
	Amount	Maximum	Maximum	
	to be	Offering Price	Aggregate	Amount of
Title of Securities to be Registered	Registered ⁽¹⁾	Per Share ⁽²⁾	Offering Price ⁽²⁾	Registration Fee

37-1858472 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

> 60010 (Zip Code)

2018 Equity Incentive Plan Common Stock, \$0.001 par value per share	704,317(3)	\$ 7.55	\$ 5,317,593.35	\$ 644.50
2018 Employee Stock Purchase Plan				
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value per share	150,000(4)	\$ 7.55	\$ 1,132,500.00	\$ 137.26
Total	854,317		\$ 6,450,093.35	\$ 781.76

- (1) Pursuant to Rule 416(a) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), this Registration Statement shall also cover any additional shares of Common Stock ("Common Stock") of Eton Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (the "Registrant") that become issuable under the Registrant's 2018 Equity Incentive Plan (the "2018 Plan"), or the Registrant's 2018 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the "2018 ESPP") by reason of any stock dividend, stock split, recapitalization or other similar transaction.
- (2) This estimate is made pursuant to Rule 457(h)(1) and Rule 457(c) of the Securities Act solely for purposes of calculating the registration fee, and is based on the average of the high and low prices of the Common Stock as reported on the Nasdaq Global Market for March 27, 2019.
- (3) Represents shares of Common Stock that were automatically added to the shares authorized for issuance under the 2018 Plan on January 1, 2019 pursuant to an "evergreen" provision contained in the 2018 Plan. Pursuant to such provision, on January 1st of each calendar year, from January 1, 2019 through January 1, 2028, the number of shares added each year is equal to the lesser of: (a) 4% of the total number of shares of capital stock of the Registrant outstanding on December 31 of the preceding calendar year; or (b) such lesser number of shares of Common Stock as is determined by the Registrant's Board of Directors (the "Board") for the applicable year.
- (4) Represents shares of Common Stock that were automatically added to the shares authorized for issuance under the 2018 ESPP on January 1, 2019 pursuant to an "evergreen" provision contained in the 2018 ESPP. Pursuant to such provision, on January 1st of each calendar year, from January 1, 2019 through January 1, 2027, the number of shares of Common Stock added each year is equal to the lesser of: (a) 1% of the total number of shares of capital stock outstanding on December 31 of the preceding calendar year; (b) 150,000 shares; or (c) a lesser number of shares of Common Stock as is determined by the Board that is less than (a) and (b).

INCORPORATION OF DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE

This Registration Statement is being filed for the purpose of increasing the number of securities of the same class as other securities for which a Registration Statement of the Registrant on Form S-8 relating to the same employee benefit plan is effective.

The Registrant previously registered shares of its Common Stock for issuance under the 2018 Plan and 2018 ESPP under a Registration Statement on Form S-8 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") on November 20, 2018 (File No. 333-228493). Pursuant to General Instruction E to Form S-8, this Registration Statement hereby incorporates by reference the contents of the Registration Statement referenced above.

Item 8. Exhibits.

Exhibit Number	Description
4.1	<u>Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Registrant (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Registrant's Current</u> <u>Report on Form 8-K (File No. 001-38738), filed with the Commission on November 20, 2018).</u>
4.2	Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Registrant (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 001-38738), filed with the Commission on November 20, 2018).
4.3	Specimen Certificate representing shares of common stock of Registrant (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 on the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-226774), as amended, originally filed with the Commission on August 10, 2018).
5.1	Opinion of Cooley LLP.
23.1	Consent of KMJ Corbin & Company LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.
23.2	Consent of Cooley LLP. Reference is made to Exhibit 5.1.
24.1	Power of Attorney. Reference is made to the signature page hereto.
99.1	Eton Pharmaceuticals, Inc. 2018 Equity Incentive Plan and Forms of Stock Option Agreement, Notice of Exercise and Stock Option Grant Notice thereunder (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-228493), filed with the Commission on November 20, 2018).

99.2 Eton Pharmaceuticals, Inc. 2018 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.17 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-226774), as amended, originally filed with the Commission on August 10, 2018).

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Deer Park, State of Illinois, on March 28, 2019.

Eton Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

By: /s/ Sean E. Brynjelsen

Sean E. Brynjelsen **President and Chief Executive Officer**

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints Sean E. Brynjelsen and W. Wilson Troutman, and each of them, as his true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, each with the full power of substitution, for him and in his name, place or stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments to this Registration Statement (including post-effective amendments), and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as he might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents, or their or his substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Title	Date	
	President, Chief Executive Officer and		
	Member of the Board of Directors	March 28, 2019	
/s/ Sean E. Brynjelsen	(Principal Executive Officer)		
Sean E. Brynjelsen			
	Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer and Secretary	March 28, 2019	
/s/ W. Wilson Troutman	(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)	Widi Cli 20, 2013	
W. Wilson Troutman			
/s/ Mark L. Baum	Member of the Board of Directors	March 28, 2019	
Mark L. Baum	-		
/s/ Charles J. Casamento	Member of the Board of Directors	March 28, 2019	
Charles J. Casamento	-		
/s/ Paul V. Maier	Member of the Board of Directors	March 28, 2019	
Paul V. Maier	-		
/s/ Norbert G. Riedel	Member of the Board of Directors	March 28, 2019	
Norbert G. Riedel, Ph.D.	-		

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March 28, 2019

Eton Pharmaceuticals, Inc. 21925 W. Field Parkway, Suite 235 Deer Park, Illinois 60010

Ladies and Gentlemen:

You have requested our opinion, as counsel to Eton Pharmaceuticals, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "*Company*"), in connection with the filing by the Company of a Registration Statement on Form S-8 (the "*Registration Statement*") with the Securities and Exchange Commission covering the offering of up to (i) 704,317 shares (the "*2018 Plan Shares*") of the Company's Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share (the "*Common Stock*"), pursuant to the Company's 2018 Equity Incentive Plan (the "*2018 Plan*"), and (ii) 150,000 shares of common stock (together with the 2018 Plan Shares, the "*Shares*") issuable pursuant to the Company's 2018 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (together with the 2018 Plan, the "*Plans*").

In connection with this opinion, we have examined and relied upon (a) the Registration Statement and the related prospectuses, (b) the Company's Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation and the Company's Amended and Restated Bylaws, each as currently in effect, (c) the Plans, and (d) the originals or copies certified to our satisfaction of such records, documents, certificates, memoranda and other instruments as in our judgment are necessary or appropriate to enable us to render the opinion expressed below. We have assumed the genuineness and authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals, the conformity to originals of all documents submitted to us as copies, the accuracy, completeness and authenticity of certificates of public officials; and the due authorization, execution and delivery of all documents by all persons other than the Company where authorization, execution and delivery are prerequisites to the effectiveness of such documents. As to certain factual matters, we have relied upon a certificate of an officer of the Company and have not sought independently to verify such matters.

Our opinion is expressed only with respect to the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware. We express no opinion as to whether the laws of any particular jurisdiction other than those identified above are applicable to the subject matter of this opinion. We are not rendering any opinion as to compliance with any federal or state law, rule or regulation relating to securities, or to the sale or issuance thereof.

On the basis of the foregoing, and in reliance thereon, we are of the opinion that the Shares, when sold and issued in accordance with the Plans, the Registration Statement and the related prospectuses, will be validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable (except as to shares issued pursuant to certain deferred payment arrangements, which will be fully paid and nonassessable when such deferred payments are made in full).

We consent to the filing of this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement.

Sincerely,

/s/ Sean Clayton

Sean Clayton

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CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement on Form S-8 of our report dated March 25, 2019, relating to the financial statements of Eton Pharmaceuticals, Inc. as of December 31, 2018 and 2017 and for the periods then ended, appearing in the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Eton Pharmaceuticals, Inc. for the year ended December 31, 2018.

/s/ KMJ Corbin & Company LLP

Costa Mesa, California March 28, 2019