UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-K/A AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO FORM 10-K

Annual Report pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2007 or

Transition Report pursuant to Section 13 or 15 (d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 for the transition period from _______to ______

Commission File Number 0-9314 <u>ACCESS PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.</u> (Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware

(State of Incorporation)

2600 Stemmons Freeway, Suite 176, Dallas, TX (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Issuer's telephone number, including area code: (214) 905-5100

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

<u>None</u> (Title of Class) (Name of each exchange on which registered)

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

Common Stock, One Cent (\$0.01) Par Value Per Share

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes _____ No 🗹

Indicate by check mark whether the issuer is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act. Yes \checkmark No _____

Indicate by check mark whether the issuer (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes \checkmark No _____

Check if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained herein, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. (Check one):

Larger accelerated filer \square

Non-accelerated filer $\ \square$

Accelerated filer \square

Smaller reporting company \square

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes No 🗸

State the aggregate market value of the voting and non-voting common equity held by non-affiliates computed by reference to the price at which the common equity was sold, or the average bid and asked price of such common equity, as of the last business day of the registrant's most recently completed fiscal second quarter. \$15,335,000 as of June 30, 2007.

As of March 31, 2008 there were 5,623,781 shares of Access Pharmaceuticals, Inc. Common Stock issued and outstanding. Also at March 31, 2008 there were 3,499.8617 shares of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock convertible into 11,666,195 shares of Common Stock.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE: Portions of Registrant's Definitive Proxy Statement to be filed with the Commission pursuant to Regulation 14A in connection with the 2008 Annual Meeting are incorporated herein by reference into Part III of this report.

83-0221517 (I.R.S. Employer I.D. No.)

> 75207 (Zip Code)

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Access Pharmaceuticals, Inc. ("Access") filed an Annual Report on Form 10-K with the Securities and Exchanges Commission on March 31, 2008 (the "Original Filing") and an amendment to its Form 10-K on September 22, 2008. This Amendment No. 2 amends the Original Filing and our Form 10-K/A filed on September 22, 2008, and is being filed solely to amend and restate Item 9A.(T) and Item 15(b) - Exhibits 31.1 and 31.2.

ITEM 9A.(T) CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, we have evaluated the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures, as such term is defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e), as of the end of the period covered by this report.

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

We conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our "disclosure controls and procedures" (Disclosure Controls) as of the end of the period covered by this Form 10-K. The controls evaluation was conducted under the supervision and with the participation of management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer. Disclosure Controls are controls and procedures designed to reasonably assure that information required to be disclosed in our reports filed under the Exchange Act, such as this Form 10-K, is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission's (SEC's) rules and forms. Disclosure Controls are also designed to reasonably assure that such information is accumulated and communicated to our management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

The evaluation of our Disclosure Controls included a review of the controls' objectives and design, our implementation of the controls and the effect of the controls on the information generated for use in this Form 10-K. During the course of our evaluation of our internal control over financial reporting, we advised the Audit Committee of our Board of Directors that we had identified a material weakness as defined under standards established by the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). A material weakness is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over financial reporting, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Company's annual or interim financial statements will not be prevented or detected on a timely basis. The material weakness we identified is discussed in "Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting" below. Our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that as a result of the material weakness, as of the end of the period covered by this Annual Report on Form 10-K, our disclosure controls and procedures were not effective.

Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

"Our management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting, as such term is defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) of the Exchange Act. Our internal control system was designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Because of inherent limitations, a system of internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate due to change in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

Our management, including our principal executive officer and principal accounting officer, conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting using the criteria set forth by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO) in Internal Control—Integrated Framework.

Based on its evaluation, our management concluded that there is a material weakness in our internal control over financial reporting. The material weakness identified did not result in the restatement of any previously reported financial statements or any related financial disclosure, nor does management believe that it had any effect on the accuracy of the Company's financial statements for the current reporting period. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of control deficiencies, in internal control over financial reporting such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Company's annual or interim financial statements will not be prevented or detected on a timely basis.

The material weakness relates to the monitoring and review of work performed by our Chief Financial Officer in the preparation of audit and financial statements, footnotes and financial data provided to the Company's registered public accounting firm in connection with the annual audit. All of our financial reporting is carried out by our Chief Financial Officer. This lack of accounting staff results in a lack of segregation of duties and accounting technical expertise necessary for an effective system of internal control.

In order to mitigate this material weakness to the fullest extent possible, all financial reports are reviewed by the Chief Executive Officer as well as the Chairman of the Audit Committee for reasonableness. All unexpected results are investigated. At any time, if it appears that any control can be implemented to continue to mitigate such weaknesses, it is immediately implemented. As soon as our finances allow, we will hire sufficient accounting staff and implement appropriate procedures for monitoring and review of work performed by our Chief Financial Officer.

Because of the material weakness described above, management concluded that, as of December 31, 2007, our internal control over financial reporting was not effective based on the criteria established in Internal Control-Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission.

This annual report does not include an attestation report of the Company's registered public accounting firm regarding internal control over financial reporting. Management's report was not subject to attestation by the Company's registered public accounting firm pursuant to

temporary rules of the SEC that permit the Company to provide only management's report in this annual report.

This report shall not be deemed to be filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, and is not incorporated by reference into any filing of the Company, whether made before or after the date hereof, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing."

Changes In Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the quarter ended December 31, 2007 that have materially affected, or are reasonable likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) 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.

ACCESS PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

Date: October 22, 2008 Jeffrey B. Davis Chief Executive Officer Principal Executive Officer	By:	<u>/s/ Jeffrey B. Davis</u>	
Date: October 22, 2008 Stephen B. Thompson Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer Principal Financial and Accounting Officer	By:	<u>/s/ Stephen B. Thompson</u>	

ITEM 15. EXHIBITS

b. Exhibits

Exhibit Number

- 2.1 Amended and Restated Agreement of Merger and Plan of Reorganization between Access Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and Chemex Pharmaceuticals, Inc., dated as of October 31, 1995 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit A of the our Registration Statement on Form S-4 dated December 21, 1995, Commission File No. 33-64031)
- 2.2 Agreement and Plan of Merger, by and among Access Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Somanta Acquisition Corporation, Somanta Pharmaceuticals, Inc. Somanta Incorporated and Somanta Limited, dated April 18, 2007. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.1 to our Form 8-K dated April 18, 2007)
- 3.0 Articles of incorporation and bylaws
- 3.1 Certificate of Incorporation (Incorporated by Reference to Exhibit 3(a) of our Form 8-B dated July 12, 1989, Commission File Number 9-9134)
- 3.2 Certificate of Amendment of Certificate of Incorporation filed August 21, 1992
- 3.3 Certificate of Merger filed January 25, 1996. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit E of our Registration Statement on Form S-4 dated December 21, 1995, Commission File No. 33-64031)
- 3.4 Certificate of Amendment of Certificate of Incorporation filed January 25, 1996. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit E of our Registration Statement on Form S-4 dated December 21, 1995, Commission File No. 33-64031)
- 3.5 Certificate of Amendment of Certificate of Incorporation filed July 18, 1996. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.8 of our Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1996)
- 3.6 Certificate of Amendment of Certificate of Incorporation filed June 18, 1998. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.8 of our Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 1998
- 3.7 Certificate of Amendment of Certificate of Incorporation filed July 31, 2000. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.8 of our Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2001)
- 3.8 Certificate of Designations of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock filed November 7, 2001 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1.h of our Registration Statement on Form S-8, dated December 14, 2001, Commission File No. 333-75136)
- 3.9 Amended and Restated Bylaws (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of our Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 1996)
- 3.10 Certificate of Designation of Series A Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock filed November 9, 2007
- 10.1* 1995 Stock Option Plan (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit F of our Registration Statement on Form S-4 dated December 21, 1995, Commission File No. 33-64031
- 10.2* Amendment to 1995 Stock Option Plan (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.25 of our Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001)
- 10.3 Lease Agreement between Pollock Realty Corporation and us dated July 25, 1996 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.19 of our Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 1996)
- 10.4 Platinate HPMA Copolymer Royalty Agreement between The School of Pharmacy, University of London and the Company dated November 19, 1996 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.11 of our Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1996)

- 10.5* Employment Agreement of David P. Nowotnik, PhD (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.19 of our Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1999)
- 10.6* 401(k) Plan (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.20 of our Form 10K for the year ended December 31, 1999)
- 10.7 Form of Convertible Note (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.24 of our Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2000)
- 10.8 Rights Agreement, dated as of October 31, 2001 between the us and American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, as Rights Agent (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 of our Current Report on Form 8-K dated October 19, 2001)
- 10.9 Amendment to Rights Agreement, dated as of February 16, 2006 between us and American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, as Rights Agent (2)
- 10.10 Amendment to Rights Agreement, dated as of November 9, 2007 between us and American Stock Transfer & Trust Company as Rights Agent
- 10.11* 2001 Restricted Stock Plan (Incorporated by reference to Appendix A of our Proxy Statement filed on April 16, 2001)
- 10.12* 2005 Equity Incentive Plan (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 1 of our Proxy Statement filed on April 18, 2005 (2)
- 10.13* Employment Agreement, dated as of June 1, 2005 by and between us and Stephen B. Thompson (1)
- 10.14 Asset Sale Agreement, dated as of October 12, 2005, between us and Uluru, Inc. (1)
- 10.15 Amendment to Asset Sale Agreement, dated as of December 8, 2006, between us and Uluru, Inc. (3)
- 10.16 License Agreement, dated as of October 12, 2005, between us and Uluru, Inc. (1)
- 10.17 Form of Warrant, dated February 16, 2006, issued by us to certain Purchasers (2)
- 10.18 Form of Warrant, dated October 24, 2006, issued by us to certain Purchasers (3)
- 10.19 Form of Warrant, December 6, 2006, issued by us to certain Purchasers (3)
- 10.20* 2007 Special Stock Option Plan and Agreement, dated January 4, 2007, by and between us and Stephen R. Seiler, President and Chief Executive Officer (4)
- 10.21 Note Purchase Agreement dated April 26, 2007 between us and Somanta Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.42 of our Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2007)
- 10.22 Preferred Stock and Warrant Purchase Agreement, dated November 7, 2007, between us and certain Purchasers (5)
- 10.23 Investor Rights Agreement, dated November 10, 2007, between us and certain Purchasers (5)
- 10.24 Form of Warrant Agreement dated November 10, 2007, between us and certain Purchasers (5)
- 10.25 Board Designation Agreement, dated November 15, 2007, between us and SCO Capital Partners LLC (5)
- 10.26 Amendment and Restated Purchase Agreement, dated February 4, 2008 between us and certain Purchasers (5)
- 10.27 Amended and Restated Investor Rights Agreement, dated February 4, 2008 between us and certain Purchasers (5)
- 10.28* Employment Agreement, dated January 4, 2008 between us and Jeffrey B. Davis (5)
- 21 Subsidiaries of the registrant (6)
- 23.1 Consent of Whitley Penn LLP (6)
- 31.1 Chief Executive Officer Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- 31.2 Chief Financial Officer Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- 32 Chief Executive Officer Certification Chief Financial Officer Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (6)
- * [Management contract or compensatory plan required to be filed as an Exhibit to this Form pursuant to Item 15(c) of the report.]
 - (1) Incorporated by reference to our Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005.
 - (2) Incorporated by reference to our Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2006.
 - (3) Incorporated by reference to our Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2006.
 - (4) Incorporated by reference to our Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2007.
 - (5) Incorporated by reference to our Form S-1, 333-149633.
 - (6) Incorporated by reference to our Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007

<u>CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C.</u> <u>SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 302</u> <u>OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002</u>

I, Jeffrey B. Davis, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this report on Form 10-K of Access Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant' most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Dated: October 22, 2008

<u>/s/ Jeffrey B. Davis</u> Jeffrey B. Davis Chief Executive Officer

<u>CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C.</u> <u>SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 302</u> <u>OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002</u>

I, Stephen B. Thompson, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this report on Form 10-K of Access Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant' most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Dated: October 22, 2008

<u>/s/ Stephen B. Thompson</u> Stephen B. Thompson Chief Financial Officer