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

POST-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO

FORM S-3

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

SYNTA PHARMACEUTICALS CORP.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

45 Hartwell Avenue Lexington, MA 02421

(781) 274-8200

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant's principal executive offices)

Keith S. Ehrlich Vice President, Finance and Administration and Chief Financial Officer Synta Pharmaceuticals Corp. 45 Hartwell Avenue Lexington, Massachusetts 02421 (781) 274-8200

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

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: Not applicable

If the only securities being registered on this Form are being offered pursuant to dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box:

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, other than securities offered only in connection with dividend or interest reinvestment plans, check the following box:

If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, please check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. \Box

If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(c) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

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(I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

If this Form is a registration statement pursuant to General Instruction I.D. or a post-effective amendment thereto that shall become effective upon filing with the Commission pursuant to Rule 462(e) under the Securities Act, check the following box.

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer \Box

Accelerated filer \boxtimes

Non-accelerated filer □ (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company \Box

DEREGISTRATION OF UNSOLD SECURITIES

This Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Form S-3 relates to the Registration Statement on Form S-3 (333-176022) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") on August 4, 2011 and declared effective by the Commission on August 19, 2011 (the "Registration Statement") by Synta Pharmaceuticals Corp., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"). The Registration Statement registered the sale of up to \$150,000,000 of securities of the Company. All offerings pursuant to the Registration Statement have been terminated. In accordance with undertakings made by the Company in the Registration Statement to remove from registration, by means of a post-effective amendment, any of the securities which remain unsold at the termination of the offering, the Company hereby removes from registration the securities registered but unsold under the Registration Statement.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this Post-Effective No. 1 to this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in Lexington, Massachusetts, on May 8, 2014.

SYNTA PHARMACEUTICALS CORP.

By /s/ KEITH R. GOLLUST

Keith R. Gollust Executive Chairman

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Post-Effective Amendment No.1 to this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the date indicated.

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ KEITH R. GOLLUST Keith R. Gollust	Executive Chairman (principal executive officer)	May 8, 2014
/s/ KEITH S. EHRLICH Keith S. Ehrlich	Vice President, Finance and Administration, Chief Financial Officer (principal financial and accounting officer)	May 8, 2014
Paul A. Friedman, M.D.	Director	May 8, 2014
* Bruce Kovner	Director	May 8, 2014
* Donald W. Kufe, M.D.	Director	May 8, 2014
* William S. Reardon, C.P.A.	Director	May 8, 2014
* Robert N. Wilson	Director	May 8, 2014
* /s/ KEITH S. EHRLICH Keith S. Ehrlich Attorney-in -Fact		