

CASI Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Form SC 13D
September 26, 2014

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

SCHEDULE 13D
Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
(Amendment No.)*

CASI Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share
(Title of Class of Securities)

29382F 202
(CUSIP Number)

Kurt Gustafson
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September 17, 2014

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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1. Names of Reporting Persons

Spectrum Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

2. Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)

(a) " (b) "

3. SEC Use Only

4. Source of Funds (See Instructions)

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5. Check if Disclosure of Legal Proceedings Is Required Pursuant to Item 2(d) or 2(e)

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6. Citizenship or Place of Organization

Delaware

Number of 7. Sole Voting Power

Shares

Beneficially 3,228,627

8. Shared Voting Power

Owned by

Each

2,176,755

Reporting 9. Sole Dispositive Power

Person

With 3,228,627

10. Shared Dispositive Power

2,176,755

11. Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person

5,405,382

12. Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (11) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)

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13. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (11)

16.66% (1)

14. Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)

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- (1) Percentage of class calculated based upon an aggregate of 32,445,811 shares of common stock, which includes (i) 27,040,429 shares of common stock of the Issuer issued and outstanding as of August 8, 2014, as reflected in the Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2014, which was filed by the Issuer with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 14, 2014, and (ii) 5,405,382 shares of common stock of the Issuer issued to the Reporting Persons pursuant to the Investment Agreements (see Item 4 below).

1. Names of Reporting Persons

Spectrum Pharmaceuticals Cayman, L.P.

2. Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)

(a) " (b) "

3. SEC Use Only

4. Source of Funds (See Instructions)

OO

5. Check if Disclosure of Legal Proceedings Is Required Pursuant to Item 2(d) or 2(e)

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6. Citizenship or Place of Organization

Cayman Islands

Number of 7. Sole Voting Power

Shares

Beneficially 0

8. Shared Voting Power

Owned by

Each

2,176,755

Reporting 9. Sole Dispositive Power

Person

With 0

10. Shared Dispositive Power

2,176,755

11. Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person

2,176,755

12. Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (11) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)

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13. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (11)

6.71% (1)

14. Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)

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Spectrum Pharmaceuticals, Inc., a Delaware corporation (Spectrum), hereby files this Statement on Schedule 13D (this Statement) on behalf of the Reporting Persons (as defined in Item 2 below) pursuant to the Joint Filer Agreement (the Joint Filer Agreement) attached to this Statement as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 1. Security and Issuer.

This Statement relates to the shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of CASI Pharmaceuticals, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the Issuer). The principal executive offices of the Issuer are located at 9620 Medical Center Drive, Suite 300, Rockville, Maryland 20850.

Item 2. Identity and Background.

This Statement is filed on behalf of Spectrum and Spectrum Pharmaceuticals Cayman, L.P., an Exempted Limited Partnership organized under the laws of the Cayman Islands (Spectrum Cayman). Spectrum and Spectrum Cayman are each referred to herein as a Reporting Person and are collectively referred to herein as the Reporting Persons.

Spectrum is a Delaware corporation. The principal business of Spectrum is the acquisition, development and commercialization of drug products, with a primary focus in oncology and hematology. Currently Spectrum and its affiliates market five oncology/hematology drugs FUSILE[®] (levoleucovorin) for Injection in the U.S.; FOLOTYN[®] (pralatrexate injection), also marketed in the U.S.; ZEVALIN[®] (ibritumomab tiuxetan) Injection for Intravenous Use, for which Spectrum has worldwide marketing rights; MARQIBO[®] (vinCRISTine sulfate LIPOSOME injection), for which Spectrum has worldwide marketing rights and BELEODAQ (belinostat) for Injection in the U.S.

Spectrum Cayman is owned 99% by Spectrum and 1% by Spectrum Pharmaceuticals International Holdings, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (Spectrum Holdings). Spectrum Holdings is the sole general partner of Spectrum Cayman and Spectrum is the sole managing member of Spectrum Holdings. Spectrum Cayman is a holding company for certain intellectual property relating to ZEVALIN[®].

The address of the principal place of business of each of the Reporting Persons is c/o Spectrum at 11500 South Eastern Avenue, Suite 240, Henderson, Nevada 89052.

During the last five years, neither of the Reporting Persons, nor any of their respective executive officers, directors, or general partners, has been convicted in a criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations or similar misdemeanors), nor have any such persons been a party to a civil proceeding of a judicial or administrative body of competent jurisdiction as a result of which such person was or is subject to a judgment, decree or final order enjoining future violations of, or prohibiting or mandating activities subject to, federal or state securities laws or finding any violation with respect to such laws.

Spectrum is governed by a Board of Directors consisting of seven members, none of which individually have voting or dispositive power over the shares subject to this Statement. In accordance with the provisions of General Instruction C to Schedule 13D, information concerning the executive officers and directors of Spectrum are listed on Schedule 1 hereto and is incorporated herein by this reference.

Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration.

On September 17, 2014, the Issuer entered into investment agreements (the Investment Agreements) with the Reporting Persons pursuant to which it issued an aggregate of 5,405,382 shares of its common stock to the Reporting

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Persons, as well as certain contingent rights to purchase additional shares of common stock and/or preferred stock (as described in Item 4 below). In consideration for the shares, pursuant to separate license agreements entered into with each of the Reporting Persons, the Issuer received perpetual (subject to customary termination provisions), exclusive licenses to develop and commercialize Captisol-Enabled (propylene glycol-free) melphalan (CE melphalan) and ZEVALIN® (ibritumomab tiuxetan) in China, including Taiwan, Hong Kong and Macau (Greater China).

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction.

The Reporting Persons entered into the Investment Agreements in order to acquire shares of common stock of the Issuer for investment purposes with the goal of increasing the value of the Issuer as a result of, among other things, the Issuer's development and commercialization of ZEVALIN[®] and Captisol-Enabled[™] melphalan in Greater China.

Pursuant to the terms of the Investment Agreements, in addition to receiving an aggregate of 5,405,382 shares of the Issuer's common stock at closing, the Reporting Persons received a contingent right to purchase additional shares of the Issuer's common stock at par value in order to maintain their respective post-investment equity ownership percentages if the Issuer issues securities (subject to a limited exception for certain equity compensation grants) after September 17, 2014 (the Contingent Purchase Right). To the extent that the issuance of such common stock would require stockholder approval under NASDAQ rules, the Reporting Persons would instead be given the right to purchase shares of non-voting, non-convertible preferred stock, which cannot be converted into common stock without stockholder approval. The Contingent Purchase Right expires upon the earliest of (i) the date on which the Issuer has raised, in the aggregate, \$50 million in net proceeds through capital raising activities, or (ii) September 17, 2019 (subject to extension in limited circumstances).

The Investment Agreements provide that as soon as practicable after September 17, 2014, the Issuer will prepare and file with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) a preliminary proxy statement seeking stockholder approval for (i) the issuance of the maximum number of shares of common stock that could be issued upon exercise of the Contingent Purchase Right and, if issued, (ii) the conversion of all then outstanding shares of preferred stock to common stock. In addition, the Issuer agreed to prepare and file with the SEC a registration statement on Form S-3 (or such other form if, at such time, the Issuer is not eligible to utilize such Form S-3) covering the resale of the shares from time to time on a continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Pursuant to the Investment Agreements, the Reporting Persons have the collective right to nominate one director to the Issuer's Board of Directors (the Board), subject to the reasonable approval of the Board. Dr. Rajesh C. Shrotriya, the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Spectrum, was nominated and appointed as a director of the Issuer effective September 22, 2014.

The foregoing summary description of the terms of the Investment Agreements does not purport to be complete, and is qualified in its entirety by the terms of the Investment Agreements filed as Exhibits 10.1 and 10.2, respectively, to this Statement, which are incorporated herein by reference.

Subject to applicable legal requirements, in addition to the arrangements described above, one or both of the Reporting Persons may also purchase additional securities of the Issuer from time to time in open market or private transactions, depending on their evaluation of the Issuer's business, prospects and financial condition, the market for the Issuer's securities, other developments concerning the Issuer, other opportunities available to the Reporting Persons, and general economic, money market and stock market conditions. In addition, depending upon the factors referred to above and subject to applicable legal requirements, the Reporting Persons may dispose of all or a portion of their securities of the Issuer at any time; provided, however, that pursuant to the terms of the Investment Agreements the Reporting Persons have agreed to not dispose of the shares prior to September 17, 2015 (except for affiliate transfers). Each of the Reporting Persons reserves the right to increase or decrease its holdings on such terms and at such times as each may decide.

Other than as described above in this Item 4, none of the Reporting Persons have any plan or proposal relating to or that would result in: (a) the acquisition by any person of additional securities of the Issuer or the disposition of

securities of the Issuer; (b) an extraordinary corporate transaction, such as a merger, reorganization or liquidation, involving the Issuer or any of its subsidiaries; (c) a sale or transfer of a material amount of assets of the Issuer or any of its subsidiaries; (d) any change in the Board of Directors or management of the Issuer, including any plans or proposals to change the number or terms of directors or to fill any existing vacancies on the Board of Directors of the Issuer; (e) any material change in the present capitalization or dividend policy of the Issuer; (f) any other material change in the Issuer's business or corporate structure; (g) any changes in the Issuer's charter, by-laws or instruments corresponding thereto or other actions which may impede the acquisition of control of the Issuer by any person; (h) a class of securities of the Issuer being delisted from a national securities exchange or ceasing to be authorized to be quoted in an inter-dealer quotation system of a registered national securities association; (i) a class of equity securities of the Issuer becoming eligible for termination of registration pursuant to Section 12(g)(4) of the Exchange Act; or (j) any action similar to those enumerated above.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

(a) (b)

| Reporting Person | Shares Held Directly | Sole Voting Power | Shared Voting Power | Sole Dispositive Power | Shared Dispositive Power | Beneficial Ownership (1) | Percentage of Class (2) |
|------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| | | | | | | | |
| Spectrum | 3,228,627 | 3,228,627 | 2,176,755 | 3,228,627 | 2,176,755 | 5,405,382 | 16.66% |
| Spectrum Cayman | 2,176,755 | 0 | 2,176,755 | 0 | 2,176,755 | 2,176,755 | 6.71% |

- (1) On September 17, 2014, pursuant to the Investment Agreements, the Issuer issued an aggregate of 5,405,382 shares of its common stock to the Reporting Persons, of which (i) 3,228,627 shares were issued directly to Spectrum, and (ii) 2,176,755 shares were issued directly to Spectrum Cayman. Spectrum has sole voting and dispositive power over the shares issued to it directly. Spectrum is governed by a Board of Directors consisting of seven members, none of which individually have voting or dispositive power over the shares held by Spectrum. Spectrum Cayman is owned 99% by Spectrum, and 1% by Spectrum Holdings. As a result, Spectrum may be deemed to share voting and dispositive power over the shares issued directly to Spectrum Cayman. Spectrum disclaims beneficial ownership in the shares held directly by Spectrum Cayman except to the extent of its pecuniary interest therein.
- (2) Percentage of class calculated based upon an aggregate of 32,445,811 shares of common stock of the Issuer issued and outstanding, which includes (i) 27,040,429 shares of common stock of the Issuer issued and outstanding as of August 8, 2014, as reflected in the Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2014, which was filed by the Issuer with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 14, 2014, and (ii) 5,405,382 shares of common stock of the Issuer issued to the Reporting Persons pursuant to the Investment Agreements (see Item 4 above).
- (c) On September 17, 2014, pursuant to the Investment Agreements, the Issuer issued an aggregate of 5,405,382 shares of its common stock to the Reporting Persons, of which (i) 3,228,627 shares were issued directly to Spectrum, and (ii) 2,176,755 shares were issued directly to Spectrum Cayman.
- (d) To the best knowledge of the Reporting Persons, no person other than the Reporting Persons has the right to receive or the power to direct the receipt of dividends from, or the proceeds from the sale of, the common stock of the Issuer reported in this Statement.
- (e) Not applicable.

Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer.

The information provided and incorporated by reference in Items 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7 is hereby incorporated by reference into this Item 6.

On September 22, 2014, consistent with the compensation programs for non-employee directors of the Issuer, Dr. Shrotriya received a grant of 50,000 stock options with an exercise price of \$1.80 per share, which represented the closing price of the Issuer's common stock on the NASDAQ Capital Market on the date of grant. The option award

vests ratably quarterly to the end of one year.

Other than as described in this Statement, to the best of the Reporting Persons' knowledge, there are no other contracts, arrangements, understandings or relationships (legal or otherwise) among the persons named in Item 2 and between such persons and any person with respect to any securities of the Issuer.

Item 7. Material to be Filed as Exhibits.

| Exhibit No. | Description of Exhibit |
|--------------------|---|
| 10.1 | Investment Agreement, dated as of September 17, 2014, by and between CASI Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and Spectrum Pharmaceuticals, Inc. |
| 10.2 | Investment Agreement, dated as of September 17, 2014, by and between CASI Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and Spectrum Pharmaceuticals Cayman, L.P. |
| 24.1 | Power of Attorney |
| 99.1 | Joint Filer Agreement |

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of its knowledge and belief, each of the undersigned certifies that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

SPECTRUM PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.,
a Delaware corporation

Date: September 26, 2014

By: /s/ Rajesh C. Shrotriya, M.D.
Name: Rajesh C. Shrotriya, M.D.
Title: Chairman and CEO

SPECTRUM PHARMACEUTICALS CAYMAN, L.P.,
an Exempted Limited Partnership organized under the laws of the
Cayman

Islands

Date: September 26, 2014

By: Spectrum Pharmaceuticals International Holdings, LLC
Its: General Partner

By: Spectrum Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Its: Managing Member

By: /s/ Rajesh C. Shrotriya, M.D.
Name: Rajesh C. Shrotriya, M.D.
Title: Chairman and CEO

SCHEDULE 1**Directors and Executive Officers of Spectrum**

Set forth below are the name, business address, current principal occupation or employment and citizenship of each director and executive officer of Spectrum Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

| Name | Business Address | Principal Occupation or Employment | Citizenship |
|-----------------------------------|---|--|--------------------------|
| Rajesh C. Shrotriya, M.D. | c/o Spectrum Pharmaceuticals, Inc. 11500 S. Eastern Avenue, Suite 240 Henderson, Nevada 89052 | Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Spectrum | United States of America |
| Joseph W. Turgeon | c/o Spectrum Pharmaceuticals, Inc. 11500 S. Eastern Avenue, Suite 240 Henderson, Nevada 89052 | President and Chief Operating Officer of Spectrum | United States of America |
| Kurt A. Gustafson | c/o Spectrum Pharmaceuticals, Inc. 11500 S. Eastern Avenue, Suite 240 Henderson, Nevada 89052 | Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Spectrum | United States of America |
| Lee F. Allen, M.D., Ph.D. | c/o Spectrum Pharmaceuticals, Inc. 11500 S. Eastern Avenue, Suite 240 Henderson, Nevada 89052 | Chief Medical Officer of Spectrum | United States of America |
| Dolotrai M. Vyas, Ph.D. | c/o Spectrum Pharmaceuticals, Inc. 11500 S. Eastern Avenue, Suite 240 Henderson, Nevada 89052 | Director of Spectrum; Founder of Dinesh Vyas, LLC | United States of America |
| Luigi Lenaz, M.D. | c/o Spectrum Pharmaceuticals, Inc. 11500 S. Eastern Avenue, Suite 240 Henderson, Nevada 89052 | Director of Spectrum | United States of America |
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