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

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13A-16 OR 15D-16 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 For the month of April 2018 Commission file number 0-30752

AETERNA ZENTARIS INC.

315 Sigma Drive Summerville, South Carolina, USA 29486 (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

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This report on Form 6-K, including the exhibits hereto, shall be deemed incorporated by reference into the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form F-3 (File No. 333-216853) and its Registration Statements on Form S-8 (File Nos. 333-210561 and 333-200834) and to be a part thereof from the date on which this report is filed, to the extent not superseded by documents or reports subsequently filed or furnished.

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99.1 Registrant's Management Information Circular dated April 2, 2018 for its Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held on May 8, 2018

99.2Form of Proxy

SIGNATURE

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, thereunto duly authorized.

AETERNA ZENTARIS INC.

Date: April 9, 2018 By: /s/ Michael V. Ward

Michael V. Ward

President and Chief Executive Officer