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

September 7, 2016

Commission file number: 001-36288

<u>Akari Therapeutics, Plc</u> (Translation of registrant's name into English)

24 West 40th Street, 8th Floor New York, NY 10018 (Address of principal executive offices)

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During the period from August 16, 2016 to September 6, 2016, Mark Cohen, a director and Vice Chairman of the board of Akari Therapeutics, Plc. (the "Company"), purchased an aggregate of 4,981 American Depositary Shares representing 498,100 ordinary shares of the Company, at purchase prices ranging between \$9.22 and \$10.9728, for an aggregate purchase price of \$49,305.10.

SIGNATURES

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.

Akari Therapeutics, Plc (Registrant)

By: /s/ Robert M. Shaw
Name: Robert M. Shaw

General Counsel & Secretary

Date: September 7, 2016