

**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 MARCH 2024**

**COMMISSION FILE NUMBER 001-39081**

**BioNTech SE**

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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(Address of principal executive offices)

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## **DOCUMENTS INCLUDED AS PART OF THIS FORM 6-K**

BioNTech SE (the “Company”) previously disclosed that the Company was in discussions with the National Institutes of Health (“NIH”) concerning royalties and other amounts allegedly owed on sales of the Company's COVID-19 vaccine since commercialization, and that the NIH had delivered a communication threatening to send a notice of default under its license agreement with the Company. On March 22, 2024, the Company received a notice of default from the NIH relating to alleged amounts owed and breaches under such license. As previously disclosed, the Company disagrees with the positions being taken by the NIH, and intends to vigorously defend against all allegations of breach.

**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Exchange Act, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

**BioNTech SE**

By: /s/ Dr. Sierk Poetting

Name: Dr. Sierk Poetting

Title: Chief Operating Officer

Date: March 22, 2024