

ANTIGENICS INC /DE/

Form 8-K

November 20, 2009

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

November 20, 2009

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

ANTIGENICS INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE

000-29089

06-1562417

(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

File Number) Identification No.)

3 Forbes Road

Lexington, MA

02421

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip
Code)

781-674-4400

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

On November 20, 2009, Antigenics Inc. announced that the Committee for Medicinal Products for Human Use (CHMP), the scientific committee of the European Medicines Agency, has formally adopted a negative opinion on the marketing authorization application (MAA) for Oncophage (vitespen) as a treatment in earlier-stage, localized renal cell carcinoma (kidney cancer). A negative vote of the CHMP indicating this opinion was verbally conveyed to Antigenics and announced in a press release issued on October 21, 2009. Based on this opinion, Antigenics has decided to withdraw its MAA and to evaluate its options going forward, including a potential re-filing at a later date.

The full text of the press release issued in connection with the announcement is being furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this current report on Form 8-K.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

The following exhibit is furnished herewith:

99.1 Press Release dated November 20, 2009

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 hereunto duly authorized.

ANTIGENICS INC.

Date: November 20, 2009 By: /s/ Garo H. Armen

Garo H. Armen
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description of Exhibit

99.1 Press Release dated November 20, 2009