ATHEROGENICS INC

Form 4 January 04, 2007

FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MONTGOMERY WILLIAM

CHARLES

1(b).

(First) (Last)

(Middle)

8995 WESTSIDE PARKWAY

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ATHEROGENICS INC [AGIX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 12/29/2006

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

OMB

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Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) below)

Sr. VP Business Development 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

(City) (State)

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

ALPHARETTA, GA 30004

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

Code

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

6. Ownership Form: Direct (T) (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 4)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of Transaction Derivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amoun Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) Derivative or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V

(A) (D) Date Expiration Title Amou Exercisable Date or

Numb

of Sh

Non-qualified

stock option \$ 9.91 12/29/2006 A 60,000 (1) (right to buy)

Common 12/29/2016 60,0 stock

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MONTGOMERY WILLIAM CHARLES 8995 WESTSIDE PARKWAY ALPHARETTA, GA 30004

Sr. VP Business Development

Signatures

/s/CHARLES A. DEIGNAN, ATTORNEY-IN-FACT

01/04/2007

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- 25% of these options vest on 12/29/2007, the first anniversary of the date of the grant. Following that date, the remaining options vest at a rate of 2%-3% per month over the next 36 months.

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