

ANTIGENICS INC /DE/  
Form 8-K  
July 07, 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**

**July 2, 2009**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)**

**ANTIGENICS INC.**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**DELAWARE**  
**(State or other jurisdiction**

**of incorporation)**

**000-29089**  
**(Commission**

**File Number)**

**06-1562417**  
**(IRS Employer**

**Identification No.)**

**3 Forbes Rd.**

**Lexington, MA**  
**(Address of principal executive offices)**

**781-674-4400**

**02421**  
**(Zip Code)**

**(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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**Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers**

On July 2, 2009, Antigenics, Inc. (the Company ) entered into amended employment agreements with Dr. Armen, Ms. Sharp, Ms. Valentine and Ms. Wentworth to accelerate the vesting of restricted stock awards in the event of a change in control as such term is defined in their respective employment agreements.

**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: July 7, 2009

By: /s/ Shalini Sharp  
Shalini Sharp

Chief Financial Officer