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Form 8-K
September 10, 2004

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

September 9, 2004
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.)

630 Fifth Avenue, Suite 2100
New York, NY 10111 10111
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

212-994-8200
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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ITEM 5.02 DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR PRINCIPAL OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS; APPOINTMENT OF PRINCIPAL OFFICERS

On September 10, 2004, Antigenics Inc. (the "Company") announced the appointment of Alastair J. J. Wood, MD, to its board of directors. There was no arrangement or understanding pursuant to which Dr. Wood was elected as a director, and there are no related party transactions between the Company and Dr. Wood. Dr. Wood will serve on the Corporate Governance Committee of the Company's Board of Directors.

On September 10, 2004, the Company issued a press release announcing the election of Dr. Wood as a new director to the Company's Board of Directors. The full text of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(c) Exhibits:

99.1 Press Release dated September 10, 2004

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: September 10, 2004

By: /s/ Garo H. Armen

Garo H. Armen, Ph.D.
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

The following designated exhibits are filed herewith:

Exhibits:

99.1 Press Release dated September 10, 2004