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ANTIGENICS INC /DE/  
Form 8-K  
January 03, 2008

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

January 3, 2008  
Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

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ANTIGENICS INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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DELAWARE  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

000-29089  
(Commission  
File Number)

06-1562417  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

162 Fifth Avenue, Suite 900  
New York, NY  
(Address of principal executive offices)

10010  
(Zip Code)

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

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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 8.01 Other Events

On January 3, 2008, Antigenics Inc. announced that Acambis has released results from a Phase 1 study of its ACAM-FLU-A(TM) vaccine, which contains Antigenics' QS-21 Stimulon(R) adjuvant. Overall, the trial results demonstrated

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that ACAM-FLU-A was well tolerated and capable of stimulating an immune response. Although immune responses were observed in all groups that received vaccine, the highest immune response was observed in the group vaccinated with ACAM-FLU-A plus QS-21 adjuvant. In this group, 90 percent of subjects generated virus-specific antibodies following immunization. Based on these results, Acambis exercised its option for a commercial license to QS-21. Under the terms of the agreement, Antigenics is entitled to receive future milestone payments and product royalties in the event of successful development and commercialization of ACAM-FLU-A.

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 January 3, 2008

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: January 3, 2008

By: /s/ Garo H. Armen

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

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description of Exhibit

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99.1 Press Release dated January 3, 2008