

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)

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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 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

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**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

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.   Description of Exhibit

99.1            Press Release dated November 20, 2009