

ANTIGENICS INC /DE/  
Form 8-K  
November 22, 2010

**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 18, 2010

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

**ANTIGENICS INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**3 Forbes Road**

**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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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.**

On November 18, 2010, Antigenics Inc. (the Company) entered into separate Securities Exchange Agreements (the Agreements) with Bruce Fund Inc. and Professional Life and Casualty, holders of an aggregate principal amount of \$1,500,000 of the Company's 5.25% convertible senior notes due February 2025 (the Bonds), to issue 1,401,099 shares of the Company's common stock, par value \$0.01 (the Shares) in exchange for cancellation of the Bonds, including accrued and unpaid interest.

On November 18, 2010, the Company entered into an agreement (the Fifth Amendment of Rights Agreement) with Ingalls & Synder Value Partners L.P. (Ingalls), the majority holder of the Company's Senior Secured Convertible Notes issued on October 30, 2006 (the 2006 Notes). The Fifth Amendment of Rights Agreement amended the definition of an Event of Default under the 2006 Notes to exclude the redemption and repurchase of the Bonds, along with accrued but unpaid interest, in exchange for the Shares and waived certain anti-dilutive rights of the holders of the 2006 Notes upon the Company's issuance and sale of the Shares.

**Item 3.02. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities.**

As described in Item 1.01 above, the Company will issue the Shares to Bruce Fund Inc. and Professional Life and Casualty in exchange for the Bonds. The Shares will not be registered under the Securities Act of 1933 (the Act). The Company will issue the Shares in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements of the Act by virtue of the exemption provided for in Section 3(a)(9) of the Act for securities exchanged by the issuer with an existing security holder. No commission or other remuneration was paid or given directly or indirectly for soliciting such exchange. Please see the discussion under Item 1.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K for additional information regarding the transaction.

**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On November 18, 2010, the Company entered into a waiver agreement (the Waiver) with Ingalls, the majority holder of the Company's Senior Secured Convertible Notes issued on October 30, 2006 (the 2006 Notes), whereby Ingalls waived all of their rights under Sections 4 and 7(a) of the 2006 Notes with respect to the Company's sale and issuance of common shares pursuant to an At Market Issuance Sales Agreement between the Company and McNicoll, Lewis & Vlask LLC and Wm Smith & Co. dated February 26, 2010.

**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.

Date: November 22, 2010

**ANTIGENICS INC.**

By:

/s/ Shalini Sharp  
Shalini Sharp  
Chief Financial Officer