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United States SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No. 1)*

ATHERO	OGENICS, INC.
(Nam	ne of Issuer)
Com	mon Stock
(Title of Cl	ass of Securities)
04	7439104
(CUS	IP Number)
Octob	per 12, 2004
(Date of Event Which R	equires Filing This Statement)
he appropriate box to designate the	ne rule pursuant to which this Schedule

Check tl is filed:

> [] Rule 13d-1(b) [**X**] Rule 13d-1(c) [] Rule 13d-1(d)

*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person s initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be filed for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Act) or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

CUSIP No.		047439104				
1.		Names of Reporting Persons		BB Bio	tech AG	
		I.R.S. Identification Nosonly):	s. of al	pove persons (entities		N/A
	2.	Check the Appropriate I	Box if	a Member of a Group (See In	structions)	
		(a) [X]				
		(b) []				
	3.	SEC Use Only				
	4.	Citizenship or Place of Control o	Organi	zation	Switzerla	nd
	Ben Ow:	neficially ned by Each Reporting son with:	5.	Sole Voting Power		0
			6.	Shared Voting Power		1,800,000
			7.	Sole Dispositive Power		0
			8.	Shared Dispositive Power		1,800,000
	9.	Aggregate Amount Bene	eficial	ly Owned by Each Reporting		1,800,000

10.	Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares	[]
11.	Percent of Class Represented by amount in Row (9)	4.9%
12.	Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)	нс,со
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CUSIP No		047439104				
1	•	Names of Reporting Persons		Biotech 7	Γarget N.V.	
		I.R.S. Identification Nosonly):	s. of at	pove persons (entities		N/A
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		(b) []				
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Item 4. Ownership

Provide the following information regarding the aggregate number and percentage of the class of securities of the issuer identified in Item 1.

(a)	Amount	beneficially owned:	1,800,000
(b)	Percent	of class:	4.9%
(c)	Number	of shares as to which the person has:	
	(i) So	le power to vote or to direct the vote	0
	(ii) Sh	ared power to vote or to direct the vote	1,800,000
	(iii) So	le power to dispose or to direct the disposition of	0
	(iv) Sh	ared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of	1,800,000

Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following: [X]

Item 10. Certification

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

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SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

BB Biotech AG

Date: October 20, 2004 By: /s/ Roland Maier

Signatory Authority
Name: Roland Maier

Title: Signatory Authority

Date: October 20, 2004 By: /s/ Pascal Schmucki

Signatory Authority

Name: **Pascal Schmucki**Title: **Signatory Authority**

Biotech Target N.V.

Date: October 20, 2004 By: /s/ Roland Maier

Signatory Authority
Name: Roland Maier

Title: Signatory Authority

Date: October 20, 2004 By: /s/ Pascal Schmucki

Signatory Authority

Name: **Pascal Schmucki**Title: **Signatory Authority**

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit 1:	Agreement by and between BB Biotech AG and Biotech Target N.V. with respect to the filing of this disclosure statement.*
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*Previously	THEU.