ATHEROGENICS INC Form 8-K September 11, 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** Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): September 9, 2008 **ATHEROGENICS, INC.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Georgia

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

0-31261

58-2108232

(Commission

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

File Number) **8995** Westside Parkway Alpharetta, GA 30004

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code (678) 336-2500

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):

o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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

Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

(b) On September 10, 2008, AtheroGenics, Inc. (the Company) announced a restructuring of its Board of Directors. In the restructuring, David Bearman, T. Forcht Dagi, M.D., Arthur M. Pappas and William A. Scott, Ph.D. resigned from the Company s Board of Directors and their respective committee appointments effective as of September 9, 2008. None of these resignations involved a disagreement with the Company.

A copy of the press release announcing the restructuring of the Board is attached to this current report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

The following exhibits are filed with this current report on Form 8-K.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release, dated September 10, 2008

SIGNATURE

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.

ATHEROGENICS, INC.

Date: September 10, 2008

By: /s/ Mark P. Colonnese Mark P. Colonnese Executive Vice President, Commercial Operations and Chief Financial Officer

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