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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d)
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): March 2, 2005

Commission file number 0-15006

 $\mbox{AVANT Immunotherapeutics, Inc.} \label{eq:avant} \mbox{(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)}$

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

13-3191702 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

119 Fourth Avenue Needham, Massachusetts 02494 (Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(781) 433-0771 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(Former name, if changed since last report)

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Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On March 2, 2005, AVANT Immunotherapeutics, Inc. issued a press release announcing its financial results for the fourth quarter and full year of 2004. The full text of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 hereto is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release of AVANT Immunotherapeutics, Inc. dated March 2, 2005.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be filed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

AVANT Immunotherapeutics, Inc.

Dated: March 2, 2005 By: /s/ Avery W. Catlin

Avery W. Catlin

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Exhibit Index

99.1 Press Release of AVANT Immunotherapeutics, Inc. dated March 2, 2005.