ANTIGENICS INC /DE/
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July 27, 2010
UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

## FORM 8-K

Washington, D.C. 20549

CURRENT REPORT
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of
The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

July 27, 2010

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

(Zip

(Address of principal executive offices) Code)

#### 781-674-4400

(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 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

On July 27, 2010, Antigenics Inc. announced positive results with AG-707, an investigational therapeutic vaccine being developed to treat herpes simplex virus-2 (HSV-2), the virus that causes genital herpes, in infected patients. Developed by Antigenics, the vaccine triggers a cellular immune response, stimulating both CD4+ and CD8+ T cells. In this four-arm, phase 1 study, 35 HSV-2 seropositive patients received AG-707+QS-21 Stimulon® adjuvant (Antigenics proprietary saponin adjuvant), AG-707 alone, QS-21 alone, or placebo. All patients who were evaluable for immune response and received AG-707 with QS-21 showed a statistically significant CD4+ T cell response (100%; 7/7) to HSV-2 antigens as detected by IFN Elispot, and the majority of those patients demonstrated a CD8+ T cell response (63%; 5/8). This study is the first to demonstrate that heat shock proteins complexed to viral antigens induce an antigen-specific T cell response in humans.

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 July 27, 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.

### ANTIGENICS INC.

Date: July 27, 2010 By: /s/ Shalini Sharp

Shalini Sharp

Chief Financial Officer

## EXHIBIT INDEX

# Exhibit No. Description of Exhibit

99.1 Press Release dated July 27, 2010