

ANIKA THERAPEUTICS INC  
Form 8-K  
October 02, 2013

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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

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Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **September 30, 2013**

**Anika Therapeutics, Inc.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

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| <b>Massachusetts</b>                              | <b>000-21326</b>            | <b>04-3145961</b>                    |
| (State or Other Jurisdiction of<br>Incorporation) | (Commission File<br>Number) | (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.) |

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| <b>32 Wiggins Avenue, Bedford, Massachusetts</b> | <b>01730</b> |
| (Address of Principal Executive Offices)         | (Zip Code)   |

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: **(781) 457-9000**

**No Change Since Last Report**

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligations of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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

Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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

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

N/A

**Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.**

On September 27, 2013, Mr. Frank Luppino, Chief Operating Officer and the Registrant determined that Mr. Luppino would be leaving the company effective at the end of October.

In its press release on October 2, 2013, the Registrant also announced the appointment of John W. Sheets, Jr., Ph.D., 60, as Chief Scientific Officer effective September 30, 2013.

**Item 9.01: Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

| <b>Exhibit No.</b> | <b>Description</b>  |
|--------------------|---|
| 99.1               | Press Release issued by Anika Therapeutics, Inc. on October 2, 2013 |

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**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.

ANIKA  
THERAPEUTICS, INC.

October 2, 2013 By: /s/ Sylvia Cheung  
Sylvia Cheung  
*Chief Financial  
Officer*

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