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

February 24, 2006

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

ANTIGENICS INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 000-29089 (Commission File Number) 06-1562417 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

630 Fifth Avenue, Suite 2100

New York, NY 10111 (Address of principal executive offices)

10111 (Zip Code)

212-994-8200

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

On February 24, 2006, the Compensation Committee of our Board of Directors authorized a salary increase to Roman Chicz, SVP, Research and Pre-Clinical Development, effective January 1, 2006, bringing his base salary to \$285,000.

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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.

Date: March 1, 2006

ANTIGENICS INC.

By: /s/ Garo H. Armen Garo H. Armen, Ph.D.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer