

METABASIS THERAPEUTICS INC  
Form 8-K  
March 23, 2009

**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**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **March 23, 2009**

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**Metabasis Therapeutics, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

**000-50785**  
(Commission File Number)

**33-0753322**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**11119 North Torrey Pines Road**  
**La Jolla, California**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**92037**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(858) 587-2770**

**Not Applicable.**  
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

On March 23, 2009, we announced the results of our recently completed 14-day clinical trial in which MB07803, our product candidate for the treatment of type 2 diabetes, was administered twice-daily to patients with poorly controlled type 2 diabetes. The announcement was made in the press release attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

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

(d) Exhibits.

<b>Number</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	Press Release of Metabasis Therapeutics, Inc. dated March 23, 2009.

**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.

**METABASIS THERAPEUTICS, INC.**

By: */s/ Tran B. Nguyen, MBA*  
*Tran B. Nguyen, MBA*  
*Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and*  
*Secretary*

Date: March 23, 2009

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