ATHEROGENICS INC

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading COLONNESE MARK P Symbol

(Middle)

Issuer

ATHEROGENICS INC [AGIX]

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

8995 WESTSIDE PARKWAY

(First)

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner Other (specify _X__ Officer (give title below)

12/27/2005

Sr VP Finance & Admin & CFO

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

ALPHARETTA, GA 30004

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-I	Derivative :	Securi	ities Acqu	iired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3,	sposed	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
_			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	12/27/2005		M	50,600	A	\$ 0.3	50,600	D	
Common Stock	12/27/2005		S	50,600	D	\$ 21.35	0	D	
Common Stock	12/27/2005		M	20,000	A	\$ 0.31	20,000	D	
Common Stock	12/27/2005		S	20,000	D	\$ 21.35	0	D	
Common Stock	12/27/2005		M	29,400	A	\$ 0.38	29,400	D	

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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh
Incentive Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 0.3	12/27/2005		M	50,600	<u>(1)</u>	02/23/2009	Common Stock	50,6
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 0.31	12/27/2005		M	20,000	(2)	12/08/2009	Common Stock	20,0
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 0.38	12/27/2005		M	29,400	(3)	01/28/2010	Common Stock	29,4

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
rg	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			

COLONNESE MARK P
8995 WESTSIDE PARKWAY
ALPHARETTA, GA 30004
Sr VP Finance & Admin & CFO

Signatures

/s/CHARLES A. DEIGNAN, ATTORNEY-IN-FACT

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) These options vested at a rate of 2%-3% per month, ending on 1/31/03.
- (2) 25% of these options vested on 8/31/00, the first anniversary of the date of grant. Following that date, the remaining options vest at a rate of 2%-3% per month over the next 36 months.
- (3) 25% of these options vested on 12/31/00, the first anniversary of the date of grant. Following that date, the remaining options vest at a rate of 2%-3% per month over the next 36 months.

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