

ATHEROGENICS INC  
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Registration No. 333-55886

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

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POST-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT  
TO FORM S-8  
REGISTRATION STATEMENT  
UNDER  
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

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ATHEROGENICS, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Georgia  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of  
incorporation or  
organization)

58-2108232  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification Number)

8995 Westside Parkway  
Alpharetta, GA 30009  
(678) 336-2500  
(Address, including zip code, and telephone number,  
including area code, of Registrants' principal executive offices)

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AtheroGenics, Inc. Equity Ownership Plan  
(Full title of the plan)

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Charles A Deignan  
President, Chief Financial Officer and Secretary  
AtheroGenics, Inc.  
8995 Westside Parkway  
Alpharetta, GA 30009  
(678) 336-2500  
(Name, address, including zip code, and telephone number,  
including area code, of agent for service)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See definition of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer

Accelerated  
Smaller reporting company



DEREGISTRATION OF SECURITIES

This Post-Effective Amendment relates to the Form S-8 Registration Statement, Registration No. 333-55886, filed on February 20, 2001, (the "Registration Statement") pertaining to the common stock of AtheroGenics, Inc. ("AtheroGenics").

As previously disclosed, AtheroGenics has been in bankruptcy proceedings and has filed a plan of liquidation in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Georgia (the "Bankruptcy Court"). Upon the Bankruptcy Court's approval of AtheroGenics' plan of liquidation, AtheroGenics will distribute its cash and cash equivalents to its creditors and once this distribution is completed, AtheroGenics' corporate existence will be terminated and its shares of common stock will be cancelled. As a result of the bankruptcy proceedings, AtheroGenics has terminated all offerings of its securities pursuant to its existing registration statements, including the Registration Statement. Accordingly, AtheroGenics hereby removes and withdraws from registration all securities registered pursuant to the Registration Statement that remain unissued.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Rule 478 thereunder, the Registrant has duly caused this Post-Effective Amendment to be signed on its behalf, thereunto duly authorized.

AtheroGenics, Inc.

By: /s/CHARLES A. DEIGNAN

Name: Charles A. Deignan

Title: President, Chief Financial Officer and Secretary

