

ALTANA AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT

Form 6-K

November 15, 2005

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**Form 6-K**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**Report of Foreign Private Issuer**  
**Pursuant to Rules 13a-16 or 15d-16 of**  
**the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Dated: November 15th, 2005

**ALTANA Aktiengesellschaft**

(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

**Am Pilgerrain 15**

**D-61352 Bad Homburg v. d. Höhe**

**Federal Republic of Germany**

(Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.  
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Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby  
furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.  
Yes  No

If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the Registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82-\_\_\_\_

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This Report on Form 6-K is hereby incorporated by reference into the Registrant's Registration Statements on Form S-8, dated September 13, 2002 (File No. 333-99485), dated September 24, 2003 (File No. 333-109074), dated September 24, 2004 (File No. 333-119240), and dated September 26, 2005 (File No. 333-128583).

This Report on Form 6-K contains:

Press Release of November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2005

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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, thereunto duly authorized.

ALTANA Aktiengesellschaft

Dated: November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2005

By: /s/Hermann Küllmer

Name: Dr. Hermann Küllmer

Title: Chief Financial Officer and Member  
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By: /s/ Rudolf Pietzke

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Press release

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**ALTANA Has Withdrawn the EU Marketing Authorisation Application for Daxas**

**Bad Homburg, November 15, 2005** ALTANA (NYSE: AAA; FSE: ALT) today announced that it has withdrawn the European Marketing Authorisation Application (MAA) for Daxas<sup>®</sup> (roflumilast).

ALTANA Pharma has taken this decision after consulting with the EMEA today. The submission of a new MAA will be pursued, after further clinical data are available.

ALTANA Pharma is committed to continue the development of Daxas<sup>®</sup> and will pursue further clinical studies to strengthen the anti-inflammatory product profile and possible market potential of Daxas<sup>®</sup>.

The phosphodiesterase4 (PDE4)-inhibitor Daxas<sup>®</sup> (roflumilast) is an oral investigational, steroid free anti-inflammatory agent being studied for the treatment of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) and asthma.

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*This press release contains forward-looking statements, i.e., current estimates or expectations of future events or future results such as the expected submission of a new MAA for Daxas and expected further clinical data. These statements are based on beliefs of ALTANA's management as well as assumptions made by and information currently available to ALTANA. Many factors that ALTANA is unable to predict with accuracy could cause ALTANA's actual results to be materially different from those that may be expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made. ALTANA does not intend, and does not assume any obligation, to update forward-looking statements to reflect facts, circumstances or events that have occurred or changed after such statements have been made.*

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