VALEANT PHARMACEUTICALS INTERNATIONAL Form 8-K September 24, 2007 **CURRENT REPORT**

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of the earliest event reported): September 19, 2007

Valeant Pharmaceuticals International

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

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(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 1-11397 (Commission File Number) **33-0628076** (I.R.S Employer Identification No.)

One Enterprise

Aliso Viejo, California 92656 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(949) 461-6000

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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As previously disclosed, based on results of a 24-month oral carcinogenicity study in mice and rats, Schering Corporation (Schering) had informed Valeant Pharmaceutical International (the Company) of its intention to terminate its license to pradefovir and to return all pradefovir development and marketing rights to Metabasis Therapeutics, Inc. (Metabasis). On September 19, 2007, Schering, Metabasis and the Company's wholly owned subsidiary, Valeant Pharmaceuticals North America (as successor in interest to Valeant Research & Development) (Valeant), entered into a termination agreement (the Termination Agreement) to terminate the Amended and Restated Development and License Agreement, dated as of December 12, 2006 between Metabasis and Schering (the Metabasis-Schering License) and the Development and License Agreement, dated as of December 13, 2006 between Valeant and Schering (the Valeant-Schering License), and together with the Metabasis-Schering License, the Pradefovir Agreements). The Pradefovir Agreements, together with the Assignment and Assumption Agreement, dated as of December 13, 2006 among Valeant, Metabasis and Schering (the Assignment Agreement), had provided for certain milestone payments by Schering to Valeant upon achievement of certain development, regulatory and commercial milestones and certain royalty payments by Schering to Valeant and Metabasis based on sales in the event pradefovir was approved for sale.

The termination of the Pradefovir Agreements becomes effective on September 26, 2007 (the Effective Date). As a result of the termination of the Pradefovir Agreements and pursuant to the terms of the Assignment and Assumption Agreement, Schering will return to Metabasis all development and marketing rights to pradefovir on the Effective Date. Certain provisions, including those related to indemnity and potential future rights to pradefovir, survive the termination of the Pradefovir Agreements.

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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.

VALEANT PHARMACEUTICALS INTERNATIONAL

Date: September 21, 2007

By: /s/ Eileen C. Pruette Eileen C. Pruette Executive Vice President, General Counsel