#### LIGAND PHARMACEUTICALS INC Form SC 13G August 03, 2007

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

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No.)\*

# LIGAND PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED (Name of Issuer) Common Stock (Title of Class of Securities) 53220K207 -----(CUSIP Number)

July 27, 2007

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

[] Rule 13d-1(b) [X] Rule 13d-1(c) [] Rule 13d-1(d)

\*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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1		NAME OF REPORTING PERSON I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON								
	S.A.C. Capit	S.A.C. Capital Advisors, LLC								
2	CHECK THE AI	PPROPI	RIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*				[ ] [X]			
3	SEC USE ONLY	Y								
4	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION									
	Delaware									
		5	SOLE VOTING POWER							
NUMBER OF			0							
SHARES BENEFICIAL	TV	6	SHARED VOTING POWER							
OWNED BY	-		3,868,166 (1) (see Item 4)							
EACH REPORTING		7	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER							
PERSON WITH	_		0							
		8	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER							
			3,868,166 (1) (see Item 4)							
9	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON									
	3,868,166 (1) (see Item 4)									
10	CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES									
	[ ]									
11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)										
	3.8% (1) (see Item 4)									
12	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*									
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1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON								
	S.A.C. Capital Management, LLC								
2	CHECK THE AI	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*  (a) [ ] (b) [X]							
3	SEC USE ONLY	SEC USE ONLY							
4	CITIZENSHIP	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION							
	Delaware								
		5	SOLE VOTING POWER						
NUMBER OF			0						
SHARES BENEFICIAI	TV	6	SHARED VOTING POWER						
OWNED BY	-		3,868,166 (1) (see Item 4)						
EACH REPORTING		7	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER						
PERSON WITH	_		0						
W I I I I		8	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER						
			3,868,166 (1) (see Item 4)						
9	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON								
	3,868,166 (1) (see Item 4)								
10	CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES								
	[ ]								
11	PERCENT OF	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)							
	3.8% (1) (see Item 4)								
12	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*								
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1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON								
	CR Intrinsic	CR Intrinsic Investors, LLC							
2	CHECK THE AI		[ ] [X]						
3	SEC USE ONLY	 Y							
4	CITIZENSHIP	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION							
	Delaware								
		5	SOLE VOTING POWER						
NIIMPED OF			0						
NUMBER OF SHARES	-	6	SHARED VOTING POWER						
BENEFICIAI OWNED	ŢŢ		1,200,000 (2) (see Item 4)						
BY EACH	-	7	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER						
REPORTING PERSON WITH			0						
	-	8	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER						
			1,200,000 (2) (see Item 4)						
9	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON								
	1,200,000 (2) (see Item 4)								
10	CHECK BOX II	THE	AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLU	DES CERTAIN	SHARES				
	[ ]								
11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)									
	1.2% (2) (see Item 4)								
12	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*								
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1	NAME OF REI		G PERSON ATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON						
	Steven A. (	Steven A. Cohen							
2	CHECK THE A	APPROP	RIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*			) [			
3	SEC USE ONI	LY							
4	CITIZENSHI	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION							
	United States								
		5	SOLE VOTING POWER						
NUMBER OF			0						
NUMBER OF SHARES		6	SHARED VOTING POWER						
BENEFICIA OWNED	ГГХ		5,068,166 (3) (see Item 4)						
BY EACH		7	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER						
REPORTING PERSON			0						
WITH9		8	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER						
			5,068,166 (3) (see Item 4)						
	AGGREGATE A	AMOUNT	BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTE	ING PE	ERSON				
	5,068,166 (3) (see Item 4)								
10	CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES								
	[ ]								
11	PERCENT OF	CLASS	REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)						
	5.0% (3) (see Item 4)								
12	TYPE OF REI	PORTIN	G PERSON*						
	IN								
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Item 1(a) Name of Issuer:

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Ligand Pharmaceuticals Incorporated

Item 1(b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:

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10275 Science Center Drive, San Diego, CA 92121-1117

Items 2(a) Name of Person Filing:

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This statement is filed by: (i) S.A.C. Capital Advisors, LLC ("SAC Capital Advisors") with respect to shares of common stock ("Shares") of the Issuer beneficially owned by S.A.C. Capital Associates, LLC ("SAC Capital Associates") and S.A.C. MultiQuant Fund, LLC ("SAC MultiQuant"); (ii) S.A.C. Capital Management, LLC, ("SAC Capital Management") with respect to Shares beneficially owned by SAC Capital Associates and SAC MultiQuant; (iii) CR Intrinsic Investors, LLC ("CR Intrinsic Investors") with respect to Shares beneficially owned by CR Intrinsic Investments, LLC ("CR Intrinsic Investments"); and (iv) Steven A. Cohen with respect to Shares beneficially owned by SAC Capital Advisors, SAC Capital Management, SAC Capital Associates, SAC MultiQuant, CR Intrinsic Investors and CR Intrinsic Investments.

SAC Capital Advisors, SAC Capital Management, CR Intrinsic Investors and Steven A. Cohen have entered into a Joint Filing Agreement, a copy of which is filed with this Schedule 13G as Exhibit 99.1, pursuant to which they have agreed to file this Schedule 13G jointly in accordance with the provisions of Rule 13d-1(k) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

Item 2(b) Address of Principal Business Office:

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The address of the principal business office of (i) SAC Capital Advisors, CR Intrinsic Investors and Mr. Cohen is 72 Cummings Point Road, Stamford, Connecticut 06902 and (ii) SAC Capital Management is 540 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10022.

Item 2(c) Citizenship:

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SAC Capital Advisors, SAC Capital Management and CR Intrinsic Investors are Delaware limited liability companies. Mr. Cohen is a United States citizen.

Item 2(d) Title of Class of Securities:

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Common Stock

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CUSIP Number:
Item 2(e)
                    53220K207
Item 3
                   Not Applicable
Item 4
                    Ownership:
                    The percentages used herein are calculated based upon the
                    Shares issued and outstanding as of April 30, 2007 as
                    reported on the Issuer's quarterly report on Form 10-Q/A
                    filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission for the
                    quarterly period ended March 31, 2007.
                    As of the close of business on July 27, 2007:
                    1. S.A.C. Capital Advisors, LLC
                    (a) Amount beneficially owned: 3,868,166 (1)
                    (b) Percent of class: 3.8% (1)
                    (c)(i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote: -0-
                    (ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 3,868,166 (1)
                    (iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: -0-
                    (iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition:
                    3,868,166 (1)
                    2. S.A.C. Capital Management, LLC
                    (a) Amount beneficially owned: 3,868,166 (1)
                    (b) Percent of class: 3.8% (1)
                    (c) (i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote: -0-
                    (ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 3,868,166 (1)
                    (iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: -0-
                    (iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition:
                    3,868,166 (1)
                    3. CR Intrinsic Investors, LLC
                    (a) Amount beneficially owned: 1,200,000 (2)
                    (b) Percent of class: 1.2% (2)
                    (c)(i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote: -0-
                    (ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 1,200,000 (2)
                    (iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: -0-
                    (iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition:
                    1,200,000 (2)
                    4. Steven A. Cohen
                    (a) Amount beneficially owned: 5,068,166 (3)
                    (b) Percent of class: 5.0% (3)
                    (c)(i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote: -0-
                    (ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 5,068,166 (3)
                    (iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: -0-
                    (iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition:
                    5,068,166 (3)
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- (1) Includes 7,500 Shares subject to call options held by SAC Capital Associates.
- (2) Includes 300,000 Shares subject to call options held by CR Intrinsic Investments.
- (3) Includes 7,500 Shares subject to call options held by SAC Capital Associates and 300,000 Shares subject to call options held by CR Intrinsic Investments.

SAC Capital Advisors, SAC Capital Management, CR Intrinsic Investors and Mr. Cohen do not directly own any Shares. Pursuant to investment management agreements, each of SAC Capital Advisors and SAC Capital Management share all investment and voting power with respect to the securities held by SAC Capital Associates and SAC MultiQuant. Pursuant to an investment management agreement, CR Intrinsic Investors maintains investment and voting power with respect to the securities held by CR Intrinsic Investments. Mr. Cohen controls each of SAC Capital Advisors, SAC Capital Management and CR Intrinsic Investors. CR Intrinsic Investments is a wholly owned subsidiary of SAC Capital Associates. By reason of the provisions of Rule 13d-3 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, each of (i) SAC Capital Advisors, SAC Capital Management and Mr. Cohen may be deemed to own beneficially 3,868,166 (1) Shares (representing approximately 3.8% (1) of the Shares outstanding) and (ii) CR Intrinsic Investors and Mr. Cohen may be deemed to own beneficially 1,200,000 (2) Shares (representing approximately 1.2% (2) of the Shares outstanding). Each of SAC Capital Advisors, SAC Capital Management, CR Intrinsic Investors and Mr. Cohen disclaim beneficial ownership of any of the securities covered by this statement, and SAC Capital Associates disclaims beneficial ownership of any securities held by CR Intrinsic Investments.

Item 5 Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class:

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following. [ ]

Not Applicable

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Item 7 Identification and Classification of the

Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being
-----Reported on By the Parent Holding Company:

Not Applicable

Item 8 Identification and Classification of Members

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of the Group:

Not Applicable

Item 9
Notice of Dissolution of Group:

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Not Applicable

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By signing below the signatory certifies that, to the best of his knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

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## SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief,  ${\tt I}$  certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: August 3, 2007

S.A.C. CAPITAL ADVISORS, LLC

By: /s/ Peter Nussbaum

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Name: Peter Nussbaum Title: Authorized Person

S.A.C. CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, LLC

By: /s/ Peter Nussbaum

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Name: Peter Nussbaum Title: Authorized Person

CR INTRINSIC INVESTORS, LLC

By: /s/ Peter Nussbaum

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Name: Peter Nussbaum Title: Authorized Person

STEVEN A. COHEN

By: /s/ Peter Nussbaum

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Name: Peter Nussbaum
Title: Authorized Person

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