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

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. 2)*

METABASIS THERAPEUTICS, INC.

(Name of Issuer)
Common Stock
(Title of Class of Securities)
59101M 10 5
(CUSIP Number)
December 31, 2006
(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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- o Rule 13d-1(b)
 o Rule 13d-1(c)
- þ Rule 13d-1(d)

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NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS: InterWest Partners VII, LP 1 I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY): CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS): 2 (a) o (b) o SEC USE ONLY: 3 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION: 4 California SOLE VOTING POWER: 5 NUMBER OF 3,040,686 **SHARES** SHARED VOTING POWER: BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY 0 **EACH** SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER: 7 REPORTING **PERSON** 3,040,686 WITH: SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER: 8 0

AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON:

3,040,686

CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):

o

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9): 11

10.0%

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):

PN

12

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NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS: InterWest Investors VII, LP 1 I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY): CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS): 2 (a) o (b) o SEC USE ONLY: 3 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION: 4 California **SOLE VOTING POWER:** 5 NUMBER OF 145,612 **SHARES** SHARED VOTING POWER: BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY 0 **EACH** SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER: 7 REPORTING **PERSON** 145,612 WITH: SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER: 8 0

AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON:

145,612

CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):

o

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9):

11

0.5%

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):

12

PN

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NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS:

InterWest Management Partners VII, LLC (the General Partner of InterWest Partners VII, LP and

1 InterWest Investors VII, LP)

I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY):

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):

2

(a) o

(b) o

SEC USE ONLY:

3

CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION:

4

California

SOLE VOTING POWER:

5

NUMBER OF 3,186,298

SHARES SHARED VOTING POWER:

BENEFICIALLY 6

OWNED BY 0

EACH SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER:

REPORTING 7

PERSON 3,186,298

WITH: SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER:

8

0

AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON:

3,186,298

CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):

0

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9):

11

10.5%

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):

OO

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NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS:
Harvey B. Cash (a Managing Director of InterWest Management Partners VII, LLC)

I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY):

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):

2

(a) o

(b) o

SEC USE ONLY:

3

CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION:

4

United States

SOLE VOTING POWER:

5

NUMBER OF 50,000

SHARES SHARED VOTING POWER:

BENEFICIALLY 6

OWNED BY 3,186,298

EACH SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER:

REPORTING 7

PERSON 50,000

WITH: SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER:

8

3,186,298

AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON:

3,236,298

CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):

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PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9):

11

10.7%

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):

12

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Neither the filing of this statement on Schedule 13G nor any of its contents shall be deemed to constitute an admission by Harvey B. Cash that he is the beneficial owner of any of the Common Stock referred to herein for purposes of Section 13(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or for any other purpose, and such beneficial ownership is expressly disclaimed, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest.

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NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS: Philip T. Gianos (a Managing Director of InterWest Management Partners VII, LLC) 1 I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY): CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS): 2 (a) o (b) o SEC USE ONLY: 3 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION: 4 **United States** SOLE VOTING POWER: 5 0 NUMBER OF **SHARES** SHARED VOTING POWER: 6 BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY 3,186,298 **EACH** SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER: 7 REPORTING **PERSON** 0

AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON:

SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER:

9

WITH:

8

3,186,298

3,186,298

CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):

o

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9):

11

10.5%

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):

12

IN

Neither the filing of this statement on Schedule 13G nor any of its contents shall be deemed to constitute an admission by Philip T. Gianos that he is the beneficial owner of any of the Common Stock referred to herein for purposes of Section 13(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or for any other purpose, and such beneficial ownership is expressly disclaimed, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest.

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NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS: W. Scott Hedrick (a Managing Director of InterWest Management Partners VII, LLC) 1 I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY): CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS): 2 (a) o (b) o SEC USE ONLY: 3 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION: 4 **United States** SOLE VOTING POWER: 5 0 NUMBER OF **SHARES** SHARED VOTING POWER: 6 BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY 3,186,298 **EACH** SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER: 7 REPORTING **PERSON** 0 WITH: SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER: 8 3,186,298

AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON:

3,186,298

CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):

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PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9):

11

10.5%

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):

12

IN

Neither the filing of this statement on Schedule 13G nor any of its contents shall be deemed to constitute an admission by W. Scott Hedrick that he is the beneficial owner of any of the Common Stock referred to herein for purposes of Section 13(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or for any other purpose, and such beneficial ownership is expressly disclaimed, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest.

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NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS: W. Stephen Holmes III (a Managing Director of InterWest Management Partners VII, LLC) 1 I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY): CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS): 2 (a) o (b) o SEC USE ONLY: 3 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION: 4 **United States** SOLE VOTING POWER: 5 0 NUMBER OF **SHARES** SHARED VOTING POWER: 6 BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY 3,186,298 **EACH** SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER: 7 REPORTING **PERSON** 0 WITH: SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER: 8 3,186,298

AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON:

3,186,298

CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):

o

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9):

11

10.5%

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):

12

IN

Neither the filing of this statement on Schedule 13G nor any of its contents shall be deemed to constitute an admission by W. Stephen Holmes III that he is the beneficial owner of any of the Common Stock referred to herein for purposes of Section 13(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or for any other purpose, and such beneficial ownership is expressly disclaimed, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest.

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NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS: Gilbert H. Kliman (a Managing Director of InterWest Management Partners VII, LLC) 1 I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY): CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS): 2 (a) o (b) o SEC USE ONLY: 3 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION: 4 **United States** SOLE VOTING POWER: 5 0 NUMBER OF **SHARES** SHARED VOTING POWER: 6 BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY 3,186,298 **EACH** SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER: 7 REPORTING **PERSON** 0 WITH: SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER: 8 3,186,298

AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON:

3,186,298

CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):

o

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9):

11

10.5%

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):

12

IN

Neither the filing of this statement on Schedule 13G nor any of its contents shall be deemed to constitute an admission by Gilbert H. Kliman that he is the beneficial owner of any of the Common Stock referred to herein for purposes of Section 13(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or for any other purpose, and such beneficial ownership is expressly disclaimed, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest.

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NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS:

Arnold L. Oronsky (a Managing Director of InterWest Management Partners VII, LLC)

I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY):

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):

2

(a) o

(b) o

SEC USE ONLY:

3

CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION:

4

United States

SOLE VOTING POWER:

5

NUMBER OF 37,499

SHARES SHARED VOTING POWER:

BENEFICIALLY 6

OWNED BY 3,186,298

EACH SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER:

REPORTING 7

PERSON 37,499

WITH: SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER:

8

3,186,298

AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON:

3,223,797

CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):

o

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9):

11

10.6%

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):

12

IN

Neither the filing of this statement on Schedule 13G nor any of its contents shall be deemed to constitute an admission by Arnold L. Oronsky that he is the beneficial owner of any of the Common Stock referred to herein for purposes of Section 13(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or for any other purpose, and such beneficial ownership is expressly disclaimed, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest.

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NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS: Thomas L. Rosch (a Managing Director of InterWest Management Partners VII, LLC) 1 I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY): CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS): 2 (a) o (b) o SEC USE ONLY: 3 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION: 4 **United States** SOLE VOTING POWER: 5 0 NUMBER OF **SHARES** SHARED VOTING POWER: 6 BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY 3,186,298 **EACH** SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER: 7 REPORTING **PERSON** 0 WITH: SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER: 8 3,186,298

AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON:

3,186,298

CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):

o

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9):

11

10.5%

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):

12

IN

Neither the filing of this statement on Schedule 13G nor any of its contents shall be deemed to constitute an admission by Thomas L. Rosch that he is the beneficial owner of any of the Common Stock referred to herein for purposes of Section 13(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or for any other purpose, and such beneficial ownership is expressly disclaimed, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest.

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ITEM

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- (a) NAME OF ISSUER: Metabasis Therapeutics, Inc.
- (b) ADDRESS OF ISSUER S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICE:

11119 North Torrey Pines Road, La Jolla, CA 92037

ITEM

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(a) NAME OF PERSON(S) FILING:

InterWest Partners VII, LP (IWP VII)
InterWest Investors VII, LP (II VII)
InterWest Management Partners VII, LLC (IMP VII)
Harvey B. Cash (Cash)
Philip T. Gianos (Gianos)
W. Scott Hedrick (Hedrick)
W. Stephen Holmes III (Holmes)
Gilbert H. Kliman (Kliman)
Arnold L. Oronsky (Oronsky)
Thomas L. Rosch (Rosch)