

PALATIN TECHNOLOGIES INC
Form 8-K
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**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): September 6, 2007

Palatin Technologies, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-15543

(Commission
File Number)

95-4078884

(IRS employer
identification number)

4C Cedar Brook Drive, Cranbury, NJ

(Address of principal executive offices)

08512

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(609) 495-2200**

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Item 1.02. Termination of a Material Definitive Agreement.

On August 12, 2004, Palatin Technologies, Inc. (the Company) entered into a collaborative development and marketing agreement (the Agreement) with King Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (King), a specialty pharmaceutical company, to jointly develop and commercialize bremlanotide, the Company's nasally administered melanocortin-based peptide in clinical development for two distinct indications, treatment of male erectile dysfunction (ED) and treatment of female sexual dysfunction (FSD). King paid the Company \$20.0 million at the closing of the Agreement, which included the purchase of Company common stock and warrants, and purchased Company common stock and warrants for an aggregate of \$10.0 million in September 2005. The Agreement provided for King making future potential milestone payments to or investments in the Company totaling up to \$90.0 million for achieving certain ED and FSD development and regulatory approval targets, and after regulatory approval and commercialization of bremlanotide, milestone payments totaling up to an additional \$130.0 million upon achieving specified annual North American net sales thresholds. The Company and King shared all collaboration development costs, and would share marketing costs and net profits derived from net sales of bremlanotide in North America, based on an agreed percentage. King had the right with the Company to jointly license one or more commercialization partners for bremlanotide for territories outside of North America.

In late August, 2007, representatives of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) raised serious concerns about the acceptable benefit/risk ratio to support the progression of bremlanotide into Phase 3 studies for ED as a first-line therapy in the general population. The FDA questioned overall efficacy results and the clinical benefit of bremlanotide in both general and diabetic populations, citing blood pressure increases as its greatest safety concern.

Based on the FDA concerns, the Company and King announced they delayed plans for the initiation of Phase 3 clinical trials with bremlanotide for ED. The Company and King then mutually agreed to end the Agreement, and on September 6, 2007, the Company received notice from King terminating the Agreement under Section 11.2.2, effective 90 days from the receipt of notice.

Under the termination, the Company has all rights to bremlanotide and other technologies licensed under the Agreement, without any obligation for future payments to King. King has no financial obligation for future payments to the Company, other than for previously incurred costs not yet reimbursed and approved expense reimbursements related to the wind-down of the collaboration.

King holds 5,675,461 shares of the Company's unregistered common stock and warrants to purchase 955,119 shares of the Company's unregistered common stock. The common stock and warrants were acquired pursuant to the Agreement.

PALATIN TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

By: /s/ Stephen T. Wills
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Chief Financial Officer

Date: September 11, 2007