

AGENUS INC
Form 8-K
February 27, 2013

**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) **February 27, 2013**

AGENUS INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

000-29089
(Commission File Number)

06-1562417
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

3 Forbes Road
Lexington, MA
(Address of principal executive offices)

02421
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **781-674-4400**

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01. Other Events.

Agenus Inc. announced today that it has completed patient screening in its Phase 2 randomized, double-blind, multicenter study for HerpV, a recombinant "off-the-shelf" therapeutic vaccine candidate for the treatment of genital herpes in herpes simplex virus-2 (HSV-2) positive patients. HerpV contains Agenus' QS-21 Stimulon® adjuvant (QS-21 Stimulon). The Phase 2 study (designated as protocol C-400-02) has screened over 100 HSV-2 positive subjects and enrollment has been closed. The study will test the biological efficacy of HerpV as measured by effect on genital viral shedding after three injections of the therapeutic vaccine. A booster injection of HerpV will be given at six months after treatment to evaluate the potential durability of treatment effect.

The full text of the press release issued in connection with the announcement is being filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this current report on Form 8-K.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

The following exhibit is filed herewith:

99.1 Press Release dated February 27, 2013

SIGNATURE

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.

AGENUS INC.

(Registrant)

/s/ **GARO H. ARMEN**

Garó H. Armen
Chief Executive Officer

February 27, 2013

(Date)

EXHIBIT INDEX

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description of Exhibit</u>
99.1	Press Release dated February 27, 2013