

ATHEROGENICS INC  
Form 8-K  
October 23, 2003

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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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FORM 8-K

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CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): October 23, 2003

**ATHEROGENICS, INC.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

**Georgia**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**0-31261**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**58-2108232**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification Number)

**8995 Westside Parkway**  
**Alpharetta, GA 30004**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code **(678) 336-2500**

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EX-99.1 PRESS RELEASE DATED 10-23-03

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**Item 7. Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits**

Exhibits.

The following exhibit is furnished as part of this current report on Form 8-K.

| <b>Exhibit No.</b> | <b>Description</b>                   |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 99.1               | Press Release dated October 23, 2003 |

**Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On October 23, 2003, AtheroGenics, Inc. issued a press release to report the company's financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2003. A copy of the press release is attached to this current report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1.

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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.

**ATHEROGENICS, INC**

Date: October 23, 2003

/s/ MARK P. COLONNESE

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Mark P. Colonnese  
Senior Vice President of Finance and Administration and Chief  
Financial Officer

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