

AGENUS INC  
Form 8-K  
November 15, 2017

**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): November 13, 2017**

**AGENUS INC.**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**DELAWARE**  
**(State or other jurisdiction**

**of incorporation)**

**3 Forbes Road**

**000-29089**  
**(Commission**

**File Number)**

**06-1562417**  
**(IRS Employer**

**Identification No.)**

**02421**

**Lexington, MA**  
**(Address of principal executive offices)** **(Zip Code)**  
**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 781-674-4400**

N/A

**(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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

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))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

Agenus Inc. (the "Agenus") announced today that it received a \$4 million payment from Merck Sharp & Dohme Corp. ("Merck") for the advancement of an undisclosed antibody under the license and research collaboration agreement with Merck, known as MSD outside the United States and Canada. As previously disclosed, Merck is responsible for all future product development expenses for the selected antibody and Agenus is eligible to receive up to an additional \$99 million in milestone payments, as well as royalties on worldwide product sales.

The full text of the press release issued in connection with the announcement is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

**Exhibit**

<b>No.</b>	<b>Description of Exhibit</b>
99.1	<u>Press Release dated November 15, 2017.</u>

**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.

Date: November 15, 2017

**AGENUS INC.**

By: /s/ Christine M. Klaskin  
Christine M. Klaskin  
VP, Finance