

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * VENTURES WEST CAPITAL LTD		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ONCOGENEX PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. [OGXI]		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)	
(Last) SUITE 400, 999 WEST HASTINGS STREET	(First) VANCOUVER, A1 V6C 2W2	(Middle) VANCOUVER, A1 V6C 2W2	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/15/2008		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
(Street)	(City)	(State)	(Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	12/15/2008		S		410,587	D	\$ 5.95	435,056	I	See Footnotes (1) (3)
Common Stock	12/15/2008		S		39,413	D	\$ 5.95	41,763	I	See Footnotes (2) (3)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
VENTURES WEST CAPITAL LTD SUITE 400, 999 WEST HASTINGS STREET VANCOUVER, A1 V6C 2W2		X		

Signatures

/s/ Howard Riback, Chief Financial Officer	12/16/2008
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Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Shares are directly held by Ventures West 7 Limited Partnership, whose general partner is Ventures West 7 Management Ltd, an entity wholly owned by Ventures West Capital Ltd. and whose officers are similar to the officers of Ventures West Capital Ltd.
- (2) Shares are directly held by Ventures West 7 U.S. Limited Partnership, whose manager is Ventures West 7 Management (International) Inc., an entity controlled by Ventures West Capital Ltd.
- (3) Ventures West Capital, Ltd., the Designated Filer, controls the general partner of Ventures West 7 Limited Partnership (whose general partner is Ventures West 7 Management Ltd.) and controls the manager of Ventures West 7 U.S. Limited Partnership (whose manager is Ventures West 7 Management (International) Inc.).

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