KERYX BIOPHARMACEUTICALS INC

Form 8-K October 04, 2006

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 29, 2006

Keryx Biopharmaceuticals, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 000-30929

13-4087132

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

750 Lexington Avenue New York, New York 10022

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(212) 531-5965

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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Item 8.01. Other Events.

On October 4, 2006, Keryx Biopharmaceuticals, Inc. ("Keryx") issued a press release announcing that Keryx entered into an exclusive licensing agreement (the "Agreement") with Kyowa Hakko Kogyo Co., Ltd. ("Kyowa"), a Tokyo-based company, for the worldwide development and commercialization rights (excluding Japan) to UCN-01, a novel multi-kinase inhibitor for the treatment of cancer that has demonstrated a synergistic effect with agents inhibiting the PI3K pathway, including perifosine. In accordance with the Agreement, Keryx has the right to make, use, sell, distribute, and sublicense UCN-01. In exchange for this license, Keryx will make upfront payments to Kyowa, as well as make payments upon the achievement of certain milestones. Keryx will also pay Kyowa a royalty based on product sales, if any. A copy of such press release is being filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

The following exhibit is filed as a part of this report:

Exhibit

<u>Number</u> <u>Description</u>

99.1 Press Release dated October 4, 2006.

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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.

Keryx Biopharmaceuticals, Inc.

(Registrant)

Date: October 4, 2006 By: /s/ Ronald C. Renaud, Jr.

Ronald C. Renaud, Jr. Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, Secretary and Treasurer

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