

AGENUS INC
Form 8-K
March 20, 2012

**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) **March 14, 2012**

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 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On March 14, 2012, Shalini Sharp, Vice-President and Chief Financial Officer and principal financial officer of the Company, announced that she will resign effective May 11, 2012. Effective upon her resignation, Christine M. Klaskin, currently Vice-President, Finance, will become principal financial officer in addition to her current role as principal accounting officer. Ms. Klaskin's biographical information is included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K as filed on March 6, 2012.

On March 19, 2012 the Board of Directors of the Company appointed Shalini Sharp to serve as a new member of the Board of Directors, effective May 11, 2012. She will serve as a Class III Director, subject to her earlier resignation or removal, for a term expiring at the 2012 annual meeting of the Company's stockholders and until the election and qualification of her successor. Ms. Sharp is not being appointed to any committees of the Board of Directors at this time.

Ms Sharp's compensation for serving as a member of the Board of Directors will be in accordance with the Company's Director Compensation Policy as presented in our Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A filed on May 3, 2011.

The Company's press release announcing the appointment of Ms. Sharp and providing biographical information is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

The following exhibit is filed herewith:

99.1 Press Release dated March 20, 2012

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, 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**

March 20, 2012

(Date)

Garro H. Armen
Chief Executive Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description of Exhibit</u>
99.1	Press Release dated March 20, 2012