

OSCIENT PHARMACEUTICALS CORP  
Form 8-K  
January 10, 2005

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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): January 4, 2005**

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**OSCIENT PHARMACEUTICALS CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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Massachusetts  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

0-10824  
(Commission File Number)

04-2297484  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification Number)

1000 Winter Street, Suite 2200

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**Waltham, Massachusetts 02451**

**(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)**

**(781) 398-2300**

**(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)**

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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 PRINCIPAL OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS; APPOINTMENT OF PRINCIPAL OFFICERS.**

On January 5, the Company's Board of Directors named John E. Voris as a director of the Company.

Effective as of January 4, 2005, William J. Rutter resigned as a director of the Company.

The Company issued a press release on January 10, 2005 announcing the appointment of Mr. Voris and the resignation of Mr. Rutter. A copy of this press release is filed with this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1.

**ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.**

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release issued by Oscient Pharmaceuticals Corporation on January 10, 2005.

SIGNATURE

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.

OSCIENT PHARMACEUTICALS CORPORATION

By: /s/ Stephen Cohen

Name: Stephen Cohen

Title: Senior Vice President and Chief Financial

Officer

Date: January 10, 2005

EXHIBIT INDEX

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	Press Release issued by Oscient Pharmaceuticals Corporation on January 10, 2005.