

DISCOVERY PARTNERS INTERNATIONAL INC
Form 8-K
August 25, 2004

**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): **August 23, 2004**

DISCOVERY PARTNERS INTERNATIONAL, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

000-31141
(Commission File Number)

33-0655706
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

**9640 TOWNE CENTRE DRIVE
SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA 92121**
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(858) 455-8600
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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 - o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Section 1 Registrant's Business and Operations

Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

Effective August 20, 2004, Discovery Partners International, Inc. entered into a multi-year contract with The National Institutes of Health (NIH) to set up and maintain a Small Molecule Repository to manage and provide up to one million chemical compounds to multiple NIH Screening Centers as part of the NIH Roadmap Initiative.

The estimated funding available to Discovery Partners International, Inc. under this contract for the Base Period (August 2004 through December 2008) is approximately \$24 million, assuming the contract continues for its full term, with options to extend the term subject to the availability of funding. This contract is funded in its entirety by NIH, Department of Health and Human Services.

Section 9 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press release of Discovery Partners International, Inc. concerning the agreement with NIH dated August 23, 2004.

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.

DISCOVERY PARTNERS INTERNATIONAL, INC.

Date: August 25, 2004

By: */s/ Craig Kussman*
Craig Kussman
Chief Financial Officer