TITAN PHARMACEUTICALS INC Form 8-K/A November 09, 2004

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

#### FORM 8-K/A

#### **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 31, 2004

<u>Titan Pharmaceuticals, Inc.</u>
(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	0-27436 (Commission File Number)	94-3171940 (IRS Employer Identification No.)	
400 Oyster Point Blvd., Suite CA (Address of principal executi		94080 (Zip Code)	
·	er, including area code: 650-244-4990  clow if the Form 8-K filing is intended	to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligat	ion of
[ ] Written comm	•	r the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425) e Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)	
[ ]Pre-commencement comm	munications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b)	under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e)	

#### Item 4.01. Changes in Registrant's Certifying Accountants

Item 4.01 of Form 8-K dated September 3, 2004 of Titan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (the Company) disclosed that on August 31, 2004, Ernst & Young LLP informed the Company that Ernst & Young LLP would resign as the Company s independent registered public accounting firm following completion of services related to the review of the Company s condensed consolidated financial statements for the quarter ended September 30, 2004. Ernst & Young LLP completed its review of those statements on November 8, 2004, and thus Ernst & Young LLP s resignation became effective on that date. The Audit Committee of the Company s Board of Directors was informed of, but did not recommend or approve, Ernst & Young LLP s resignation.

Item 4.01 of the Company s Form 8-K filed with the SEC on September 30, 2004 disclosed that the Company has engaged Odenberg, Ullakko, Muranishi & Co. LLP as its independent registered public accounting firm effective upon the filing of the Company s Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2004.

The reports of Ernst & Young LLP on the Company's financial statements for the past two fiscal years did not contain an adverse opinion or a disclaimer of opinion and were not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles. In connection with the audits of the Company's financial statements for each of the two fiscal years ended December 31, 2003, and in the subsequent interim period through November 8, 2004, there were no disagreements with Ernst & Young LLP on any matters of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosure, or auditing scope or procedures which, if not resolved to the satisfaction of Ernst & Young LLP, would have caused Ernst & Young LLP to make reference to the matter in their report. There were no reportable events as that term is described in Item 304(a)(1)(v) of Regulation S-K.

The Company has requested Ernst & Young LLP to furnish it a letter addressed to the SEC stating whether it agrees with the above statements. A copy of that letter, dated November 8, 2004, is filed as Exhibit 16.1 to this Form 8-K/A.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

16.1 Letter of Ernst & Young LLP to the Securities and Exchange

Commission.

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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.

### TITAN PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

By: /s/ Robert E. Farrell Robert E. Farrell, Chief Financial Officer

Dated: November 8, 2004

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