

CELL THERAPEUTICS INC  
Form 8-K  
March 21, 2008

**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 20, 2008

**CELL THERAPEUTICS, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Washington**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**001-12465**  
(Commission File Number)

**91-1533912**  
(I.R.S. Employer

Identification Number)

**501 Elliott Avenue West, Suite 400**

**Seattle, Washington 98119**

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (206) 282-7100

**Not applicable**

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report).

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**Section 5 Corporate Governance and Management**

**Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

As part of its ongoing goal to encourage management to acquire and maintain increased levels of ownership of company stock and in recognition of his efforts with respect to recent debt and capital restructuring and the recent MAA filing for Xyotax in Europe, on March 20, 2008, the compensation committee of the board of directors of Cell Therapeutics, Inc., a Washington corporation, approved a supplemental cash bonus to James M. Bianco, M.D., the Company's President and CEO of \$91,938, with an additional amount to cover the taxes on such award, with a recommendation to Dr. Bianco that the payment be used to purchase shares of company stock in the market.

**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.

CELL THERAPEUTICS, INC.

Date: March 21, 2008

By: /s/ Louis A. Bianco  
Louis A. Bianco  
Executive Vice President, Finance and Administration