

INCYTE CORP  
Form 8-K  
March 09, 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 8, 2012**

**INCYTE CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation)

**0-27488**  
(Commission File Number)

**94-3136539**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**Experimental Station**  
**Route 141 & Henry Clay Road**  
**Building E336**  
**Wilmington, DE**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**19880**  
(Zip Code)

**(302) 498-6700**

(Registrant's telephone number,  
including area code)

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N/A

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

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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.**

*2012 Incentive Compensation Plan*

On March 8, 2012, the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Incyte Corporation (the "Company") approved, based upon the recommendation of the Compensation Committee of the Board, corporate objectives for 2012 relating to a cash bonus plan for the 2012 fiscal year. The Company's 2012 incentive compensation plan is a discretionary cash incentive award plan designed to align incentive awards for each participant's individual performance with the Company's corporate objectives. Eligibility to participate in the plan and actual award amounts are not guaranteed and are determined, in the case of the Company's executive officers, at the discretion of the Compensation Committee of the Board. Each of the Company's executive officers other than the President and Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") has a funding target under the plan of 50% of his or her annual base salary for 2012, with the potential for actual awards under the plan to either exceed or be less than the funding target depending upon corporate performance, as well as the executive officer's achievement of certain individual goals that are predetermined by the CEO. The CEO has a funding target under the plan of 75% of his annual base salary for 2012, with the actual incentive award depending upon corporate performance.

Corporate performance objectives for 2012 are based on achievement of drug discovery objectives, representing 20% of the overall objectives, drug development objectives, representing 30% of the overall objectives, commercial objectives, representing 40% of the overall objectives, and finance objectives, representing 10% of the overall objectives. Bonus opportunities for certain objectives and for a business development objective enable the payout of up to an additional 37.5 percentage points. Threshold, target and outperform achievement levels are defined for each corporate objective and, depending on the achievement of those performance levels, a payout ranging from 0% to 150% may be made for each objective.

*Director Retirement*

On March 8, 2012, John F. Niblack notified the Company that he would be retiring from the Board, effective at the time of the Company's 2012 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, and therefore would not stand for re-election. Dr. Niblack has been a member of the Board since 2006.

**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.

Dated: March 9, 2012

INCYTE CORPORATION

By:

/s/ Eric H. Siegel  
Eric H. Siegel  
Executive Vice President and  
General Counsel