

Vanda Pharmaceuticals Inc.  
Form DEFA14A  
February 23, 2009

**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): February 23, 2009**

**VANDA PHARMACEUTICALS INC.**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

**000-51863**

(Commission File No.)

**03-0491827**

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**9605 Medical Center Drive**

**Suite 300**

**Rockville, Maryland 20850**

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(240) 599-4500**

**Not Applicable**

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

On February 23, 2009, Vanda Pharmaceuticals Inc. (the Company ) issued a press release relating to the Company s receipt of a series of letters from a group led by Tang Capital Partners, LP ( TCP ) regarding TCP s intent to, among other things, nominate two directors for election to the Company s Board of Directors at the Company s 2009 annual meeting of stockholders and submit a number of stockholder proposals, including certain bylaw amendments and a request that the Company s Board of Directors liquidate the Company. The full text of this press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

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**Exhibit No.**

**Description**

99.1

Press release of Vanda Pharmaceuticals Inc. dated February 23, 2009.

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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.

VANDA PHARMACEUTICALS INC.

By: /s/ STEPHANIE R. IRISH

Name: Stephanie R. Irish

Title: Acting Chief Financial Officer and  
Treasurer

Dated: February 23, 2009