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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

COMMON STOCK

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement OSCIENT PHARMACEUTICALS CORP [OSCI] AKANTHOS CAPITAL (Month/Day/Year) MANAGEMENT LLC 11/25/2008 (Last) (First) (Middle) 5. If Amendment, Date Original 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 21700 OXNARD (Check all applicable) STREET. SUITE 1520 (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Director __X__ 10% Owner Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by One Reporting Person WOODLAND _X_ Form filed by More than One HILLS, CAÂ 91367-7584 Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities 3. 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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See Footnotes (1) (2) (3)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1,790,000

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of		6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
		(Instr. 4)	Derivative	Security:	

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
12.50% CONVERTIBLE GUARANTEED SENIOR NOTES DUE 2011	(3)	(3)	COMMON STOCK	6,509,091	\$ <u>(4)</u>	I	SEE FOOTNOTES (1) (2) (3) (4)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
AKANTHOS CAPITAL MANAGEMENT LLC 21700 OXNARD STREET SUITE 1520 WOODLAND HILLS, CA 91367-7584	Â	ÂΧ	Â	Â		
AKANTHOS ARBITRAGE MASTER FUND LP C/O HUNTLAW CORP SERVICES LTD PO BOX 1350GT 75 FORT ST. GEORGE TOWN GRAND CAYMAN, C8 00000	Â	ÂX	Â	Â		

Signatures

By: /s/ Michael Kao, Manager of Akanthos Capital Management, LLC, general partner to Akanthos Arbitrage Master Fund, L.P.

12/15/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

By: /s/ Michael Kao, Manager of Akanthos Capital Management, LLC

12/15/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

This statement is filed by and on behalf of each of Akanthos Capital Management, LLC ("ACM") and Akanthos Arbitrage Master Fund, L.P. ("AAMF"). ACM acts as the investment adviser and general partner to, and manages investment and trading accounts of, other persons, including AAMF. ACM may be deemed, through investment advisory contracts or otherwise, to beneficially own securities

(1) owned by other persons, including AAMF. These shares of the issuer's common stock, par value \$.10 per share ("Shares") are held for the account of AAMF. Reporting persons hold approximately 8,299,091 Shares of the issuer, consisting of: (A) 1,790,000 Shares; and (B) 7,160,000 units 12.50% Convertible Guaranteed Senior Notes due 2011 (the "Notes"), convertible at \$1.10 per share into 6,509,091 Shares.

Reporting persons exceeded the 10% threshold due to an exchange offer (the "Exchange") made by the issuer in which AAMF participated. As per the information provided by the issuer in its Prospectus dated November 24, 2008, prior to the Exchange, on

- (2) November 3, 2008, the issuer had 14,256,628 Shares outstanding. As per the information provided by the issuer in its Form 8-K dated November 24, 2008, 21,310,549 were issued in the Exchange. Therefore, we understand that the outstanding Shares of the issuer total 35,567,177.
- (3) The Notes are immediately convertible into Shares. The Notes mature on January 15, 2011, unless earlier converted or repurchased.
- (4) The initial conversion rate of the Notes is 909.0909 Shares per \$1,000 principal amount of Notes (equal to a conversion price of approximately \$1.10 per Share).

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Reporting Owners 2

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