ADVENTRX PHARMACEUTICALS INC Form 8-K March 20, 2006

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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 FORM 8-K CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15 (d) OF THE

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Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) March 20, 2006 ADVENTRX Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware** 

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-32157 84-1318182

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

6725 Mesa Ridge Road, Suite 100 San Diego, California 92121

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(858) 552-0866

(Company s telephone number, including area code)

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#### Item 8.01. Other Events.

On March 20, 2006, the Company announced that its broad spectrum anti-viral drug Thiovir was active against H5N1 avian influenza chimeric virus strains in preclinical tests.

The press release issued by the Company on March 20, 2006 with respect to this matter is included with this report as an exhibit.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(99) (c) The exhibit list required by this item is incorporated by reference to the Exhibit Index filed as part of this report.

#### **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.

#### **ADVENTRX Pharmaceuticals, Inc.**

March 20, 2006 By: /s/ Carrie E. Carlander

Name: Carrie E. Carlander

Title: Chief Financial Officer, Senior Vice

President, Finance, Secretary and

Treasurer

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Exhibit	Description
99.1	Press Release of the Company dated March 20, 2006.