

GERON CORP  
Form 8-K  
August 18, 2009

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported): **August 18, 2009**

**GERON CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

<b>Delaware</b>	<b>0-20859</b>	<b>75-2287752</b>
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**230 CONSTITUTION DRIVE**

**MENLO PARK, CALIFORNIA 94025**

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

**(650) 473-7700**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

**N/A**

(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)

Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

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 August 18, 2009, Geron Corporation (the “Company”) publicly disseminated a press release announcing that its IND (Investigational New Drug application) for GRNOPC1, a cell therapy for neurologically complete, subacute spinal cord injury, has been placed on clinical hold by the FDA pending the agency’s review of new nonclinical animal study data submitted by the Company.

The foregoing description is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Company’s Press Release dated August 18, 2009, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Press release dated August 18, 2009.

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**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.

GERON CORPORATION

Date: August 18, 2009      By: /s/ David J. Earp  
Name: David J. Earp  
Title: Senior Vice President, Business Development and  
Chief Patent Counsel

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**EXHIBIT INDEX**

Exhibit

99.1 Press release dated August 18, 2009.