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): December 16, 2003

EXELIXIS, INC.

(Event Name of Ponistrant as Specified in Charter)

(Commission File Number)

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware

0-30235

04-3257395

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

170 Harbor Way P.O. Box 511

South San Francisco, California 94083

(Address of principal executive offices, and including zip code)

(650) 837-7000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Item 5. Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure.

In October 2002, Exelixis and SmithKlineBeecham Corporation ("GSK") established a collaboration to discover and develop novel therapeutics in the areas of vascular biology, inflammatory disease and oncology. The collaboration involved three agreements: (a) a Product Development and Commercialization Agreement; (b) a Stock Purchase and Stock Issuance Agreement; and (c) a Loan and Security Agreement. Under the Loan and Security Agreement, GSK provided a loan facility of up to \$85.0 million for use in the Company's efforts under the collaboration, and the Company borrowed \$25.0 million under that agreement in December 2002.

On December 16, 2003, the Company borrowed an additional \$30.0 million under the Loan and Security Agreement. This loan amount bears interest at a rate of 4% per annum and is secured by the intellectual property, technology and equipment created or utilized pursuant to the collaboration. Principal and accrued interest become due in installments, beginning on or about the sixth anniversary of the collaboration, unless the collaboration is terminated earlier by GSK.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Dated: December 16, 2003

Exelixis, Inc.

/s/ Kristine M. Ball Kristine M. Ball Interim Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)