

ADVANCED MAGNETICS INC  
Form 8-K  
July 12, 2004

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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 Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported): July 12, 2004 (July 12, 2004)

**ADVANCED MAGNETICS, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

Commission File No. 0-14732

04-2742593  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

61 Mooney Street  
Cambridge, Massachusetts  
(Address of principal executive offices)

02138  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (617) 497-2070

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**Item 5. Other Events.**

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On July 12, 2004, Advanced Magnetics, Inc. (the Company) announced that the Board of Directors elected Michael N. Avallone, CPA, as Chief Financial Officer of the Company. Mr. Avallone will be assuming the responsibilities of James A. Matheson, Vice President of Finance who will be stepping down to focus on other opportunities.

Mr. Avallone (age 52) brings more than 30 years of senior-level financial management experience to the Company, including demonstrated success in internal and external financial reporting, strategic planning, compliance, corporate leadership, and daily operations in highly regulated environments. Mr. Avallone most recently served as Vice President of Finance and Chief Financial Officer of Boston Biomedica, Inc., a publicly-traded biotech and medical products company, since March 2004. He previously served as Corporate Controller (August 2000-March 2004) and Assistant Treasurer (June 2001-March 2004) of Boston Biomedica, Inc. Prior to 2000, Mr. Avallone held a number of executive positions in accounting and finance at NSTAR (formerly BEC Energy) and supervised an audit staff at PricewaterhouseCoopers (formerly Coopers & Lybrand). He holds degrees from Boston College and Bentley College Graduate School.

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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.

ADVANCED MAGNETICS, INC.

By: /s/ Jerome Goldstein

Name: Jerome Goldstein

Title: Chairman, President and CEO

Dated: July 12, 2004

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