SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

FORM 12b-25

Commission File Number 0-26422

NOTIFICATION OF LATE FILING

(Check One): _ Form 10-K _ Form 11-K _ Form 20-F X Form 10-Q _ Form N-SAR
For Period Ended: June 30, 1999
_ Transition Report on Form 10-K _ Transition Report on Form 20-F _ Transition Report on Form 11-K _ Transition Report on Form 10-Q _ Transition Report on Form N-SAR
For the Transition Period Ended:
Nothing in this form shall be construed to imply that the Commission has verified any information contained herein.
If the notification relates to a portion of the filing checked above, identify the $Item(s)$ to which the notification relates:
NOT APPLICABLE
PART I - REGISTRANT INFORMATION
DISCOVERY LABORATORIES, INC.
Full Name of Registrant
ANSAN PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.
Former Name if Applicable
350 South Main Street, Suite 307
Address of Principal Executive Office (Street and Number)
Doylestown, PA 18901
City, State and Zip Code
PART II - RULES 12b-25(b) AND (c)

If the subject report could not be filed without unreasonable effort or expense and the registrant seeks relief pursuant to Rule 12b-25(b), the following should be completed. (Check appropriate box.) |X| Yes $| \ |$ No

- |X| (a) The reasons described in reasonable detail in Part III of this form could not be eliminated without unreasonable effort or expense;
- |X| (b) The subject annual report, semi-annual report, transition report on Form 10-K, 20-F, 11-K or N-SAR, or portion thereof, will be filed on or before the 15th calendar day following the prescribed due date; or the subject quarterly report or transition report on Form 10-Q, or portion thereof will be filed on or before the fifth calendar day following the prescribed due date; and
 - (c) The accountant's statement or other exhibit required by Rule 12b-25(c) has been attached if applicable.

PART III - NARRATIVE

State below in reasonable detail the reasons why Form 10-K, 11-K, 20-F, 10-Q, N-SAR, or the transition report or portion thereof, could not be filed within the prescribed time period.

The Registrant was unable to file the Quarterly Report on Form 10-QSB for the quarter ended June 30, 1999 (the "Report") without unreasonable effort or

expense due to the delays in gathering information from the Registrant's $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) \left(1\right) \left$ professional advisors for inclusion therein.

PART IV - OTHER INFORMATION

(1) Name and telephone number of person to contact in regard to this notification

Kenneth G. Alberstadt

(212) 299-8640

(Name)

(Area Code) (Telephone Number)

(2) Have all other periodic reports required under Section 13 or $15\,\mathrm{(d)}$ of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 during the preceding 12 months or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such report(s) been filed? If answer is no, identify report(s). |X| Yes $|_|$ No

(3) Is it anticipated that any significant change in results of operation for the corresponding period for the last fiscal year will be reflected by the earnings statements to be included in the subject report or portion thereof? |X| Yes |_| No

If so: attach an explanation of the anticipated change, both narratively and quantitatively, and, if appropriate, state the reasons why a reasonable estimate of the results cannot be made.

Explanation:

For the three and six month periods ended June 30, 1998, the Registrant incurred a charge for write off of in-process research and development costs amounting to \$8,230,000.00. No such charge was incurred in the corresponding periods in 1999.

DISCOVERY LABORATORIES, INC.

(Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

(Name of Registrant as specified in charter)

has caused this notification to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date

August 17, 1999

Ву

/s/ Robert J. Capetola

Robert J. Capetola, Ph.D.

President and Chief Executive Officer

Instruction: The form may be signed by an executive officer of the registrant or by any other duly authorized representative. The name and title of the person signing the form shall be typed or printed beneath the signature. If the statement is signed on behalf of the registrant by an authorized representative (other than an executive officer), evidence of the representative's authority to sign on behalf of the registrant shall be filed with the form.

ATTENTION

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