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): 11/03/2009

Dynavax Technologies Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission File Number: 001-34207

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 33-0728374 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

2929 Seventh Street, Suite 100
Berkeley, CA 94710-2753
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(510) 848-5100

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

following provisions:

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Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

On November 3, 2009, the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Dynavax Technologies Corporation ("Dynavax") elected Francis R. Cano, Ph.D. as a Class III director to serve until the 2012 Annual Meeting of Stockholders. Pursuant to the terms of an offer letter between Dynavax and Dr. Cano and the compensation policies of Dynavax with respect to outside directors, Dr. Cano received the following as of his date of election:

- 1. Pursuant to the Dynavax 2004 Non-Employee Directors' Option Plan (the "Directors' Plan"), Dr. Cano was granted an initial non-qualified stock option to purchase 20,000 shares of Dynavax common stock, with an exercise price equal to the fair market value on the date of grant, vesting over four years in equal annual installments;
- 2. Pursuant to the Directors' Plan, Dr. Cano will automatically receive a non-qualified option to purchase an additional 10,000 shares of Dynavax common stock at each annual meeting of Dynavax's stockho lders (with respect to the first such grant, the option will be pro-rated such that the fraction of such 10,000 shares shall equal the fraction of the year that he serves until the 2010 annual meeting), with an exercise price equal to the fair market value on the date of grant, vesting on the first anniversary of the grant; and
- 3. Dr. Cano will receive an annual retainer of \$20,000, payable in equal quarterly installments in arrears, \$2,000 for each Board meeting attended in person and \$500 for each Board meeting attended by telephone.

A copy of the press release relating to Dr. Cano's appointment is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release, dated November 5, 2009, titled "Dynavax Appoints Francis R. Cano, Ph.D. to Board of Directors".

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.

Dynavax Technologies Corporation

Date: November 05, 2009 By: /s/ Jennifer Lew

Jennifer Lew Vice President, Finance

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DYNAVAX APPOINTS FRANCIS R. CANO, PH.D. TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS

BERKELEY, CA – November 5, 2009 – Dynavax Technologies Corporation (Nasdaq: DVAX) announced today that Francis R. Cano, Ph.D. has been appointed to Dynavax's Board of Directors effective November 3, 2009.

"A recognized scientific leader in vaccines and infectious diseases, Francis brings unique expertise and broad experience in research, development, and commercialization to Dynavax," commented Arnold L. Oronsky, Ph.D., Chairman of the Board of Directors of Dynavax. "Francis will provide valuable perspective as Dynavax advances its plans for its Phase 3 hepatitis B vaccine and pipeline products."

Dr. Cano is President and Founder of Cano Biotech Corp., a consulting firm focusing on the vaccine business. Previously, Dr. Cano was President and Chief Operating Officer for Aviron, which was later acquired by MedImmune in 2001. As a Co-Founder of Aviron, he completed two rounds of venture financing, a licensing agreement with SmithKline Biologicals, and in-licensed Flu-Mist influenza vaccine from the National Institutes of Health. For 21 years, Dr. Cano worked with the Lederle Laboratories Division of American Cyanamid, most recently as Vice President and General Manager of the Biologicals unit.

He earned a Ph.D. in Microbiology from Pennsylvania State University, served as a Research Associate at Rutgers Institute of Microbiology, and holds a M.S. in Microbiology and a B.S. in Biology from St. John's University.

About Dynavax

Dynavax Technologies Corporation, a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company, discovers and develops novel products to prevent and treat infectious diseases. The Company's lead product candidate is HEPLISAV(TM), a Phase 3 investigational adult hepatitis B vaccine designed to provide more rapid and increased protection with fewer doses than current licensed vaccines. For more information visit www.dynavax.com.

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