

ONCOLYTICS BIOTECH INC

Form 6-K

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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**Form 6-K**

**Report of Foreign Private Issuer  
Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16  
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
For the month of March 2007  
Commission File Number 000-31062**

**Oncolytics Biotech Inc.**

*(Translation of registrant's name into English)*

**Suite 210, 1167 Kensington Crescent NW**

**Calgary, Alberta, Canada T2N 1X7**

*(Address of principal executive offices)*

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Form 20-F

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Yes

No

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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, thereunto duly authorized.

**Oncolytics Biotech Inc.**  
(Registrant)

Date: March 2, 2007

By: /s/ Doug Ball  
Doug Ball  
Chief Financial Officer

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**Oncolytics Biotech Inc. Reports Highlights and Financial Results for 2006**

**CALGARY, AB, March 2, 2007** Oncolytics Biotech Inc. (TSX:ONC, NASDAQ:ONCY) (Oncolytics or the Company) today reported its financial results for the year ended December 31, 2006.

The past year has been an exciting and productive one for Oncolytics, said Dr. Brad Thompson, President and CEO of Oncolytics Biotech Inc. In 2006, we presented positive clinical results from local and systemic administrations trials using REOLYSIN<sup>®</sup>, commenced our Phase II combination REOLYSIN<sup>®</sup> and radiation clinical program and received approval to begin our combination REOLYSIN<sup>®</sup> program with approved chemotherapeutics.

**Selected Highlights:**

Expanded the clinical program with the approval and commencement of enrolment for a Phase II combination REOLYSIN<sup>®</sup>/radiation trial in the U.K., approval and commencement of a Phase Ib REOLYSIN<sup>®</sup>/radiation trial in the U.K., commencement of a Phase I/II recurrent malignant glioma trial in the U.S., and approval for three combination REOLYSIN<sup>®</sup> and chemotherapy trials in the U.K.;

Completed enrolment of two Phase I systemic administration trials in the U.S. and the U.K.;

Presented positive final results of a Canadian Phase I recurrent malignant glioma trial and positive interim results of a U.K. Phase I systemic administration trial at the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) annual meeting and positive interim results of a Phase Ia combination REOLYSIN<sup>®</sup> and radiation clinical trial at the American Association for Cancer Research (AACR) annual meeting;

Presented promising preclinical research at the EORTC-NCI-AACR Symposium on Molecular Targets and Cancer Therapeutics in the area of co-therapy with chemotherapeutic agents and at the AACR Annual Meeting on the anti-tumour activity of reovirus *in vitro* and *in vivo* in childhood sarcoma cell lines;

Presented additional preclinical research on the interaction of reovirus and the immune system in 2006 at the British Society of Gene Therapy in London, U.K. and the European National Societies of Immunology in Paris, France and in early 2007 at the Academic & Research Surgery Conference in Cambridge, U.K.;

Strengthened the Board of Directors with the appointments of Dr. Ed Levy and Mr. Ger van Amersfoort;

Expanded the Company's intellectual property portfolio with the issue of four additional U.S. patents and one more Canadian patent in 2006, and an 18<sup>th</sup> U.S. patent in early 2007;

Announced in January 2007 that Ms. Mary Ann Dillahunty had been appointed to the Company's management team as Vice President, Intellectual Property; and,

Announced in February 2007 the closing of a public offering that provided gross proceeds of \$12 million to the Company.

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**Oncolytics Biotech Inc.**  
**BALANCE SHEETS**

As at December 31

	<b>2006</b>	<b>2005</b>
	\$	\$
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>Current</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	<b>3,491,511</b>	3,511,357
Short-term investments	<b>24,122,237</b>	36,894,810
Accounts receivable	<b>84,003</b>	47,390
Prepaid expenses	<b>638,540</b>	540,368
	<b>28,336,291</b>	40,993,925
<b>Property and equipment</b>	<b>149,596</b>	189,863
<b>Intellectual property</b>	<b>5,079,805</b>	5,110,538
	<b>33,565,692</b>	46,294,326
<b>LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY</b>		
<b>Current</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	<b>2,616,421</b>	1,692,481
<b>Alberta Heritage Foundation loan</b>	<b>150,000</b>	150,000
<b>Commitments and contingency</b>		
<b>Shareholders equity</b>		
Share capital		
Authorized: unlimited		
Issued: 36,520,748 (2005 36,236,748)	<b>83,083,271</b>	82,841,871
Warrants	<b>4,216,740</b>	4,429,932
Contributed surplus	<b>8,529,326</b>	7,912,584
Deficit	<b>(65,030,066)</b>	(50,732,542)
	<b>30,799,271</b>	44,451,845
	<b>33,565,692</b>	46,294,326



**Oncolytics Biotech Inc.**  
**STATEMENTS OF LOSS AND DEFICIT**

For the periods ended December 31

	<b>2006</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>Cumulative from inception on April 2, 1998 to December 31, 2006</b>
	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>Revenue</b>				
Rights revenue	¾	¾	¾	310,000
	¾	¾	¾	310,000
<b>Expenses</b>				
Research and development	<b>10,535,689</b>	9,308,977	7,107,998	43,371,194
Operating	<b>3,630,144</b>	3,083,372	2,803,669	16,770,581
Stock based compensation	<b>403,550</b>	64,104	2,668,570	4,165,649
Foreign exchange loss	<b>35,270</b>	253,608	358,068	648,848
Amortization intellectual property	<b>874,043</b>	786,459	686,717	4,036,834
Amortization capital assets	<b>52,637</b>	69,532	65,039	407,683
	<b>15,531,333</b>	13,566,052	13,690,061	69,400,789
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<b>Interest income</b>	<b>(1,233,809)</b>	(783,456)	(699,757)	(4,803,005)
<b>Gain on sale of BCY LifeSciences Inc.</b>	¾	(765)	(34,185)	(299,403)
<b>Loss on sale of Transition Therapeutics Inc.</b>	¾	¾	¾	2,156,685
<b>Loss before taxes</b>	<b>14,297,524</b>	12,781,831	12,956,119	66,145,066
<b>Future income tax recovery</b>	¾	¾	¾	(1,115,000)
<b>Net loss for the year</b>	<b>14,297,524</b>	12,781,831	12,956,119	65,030,066
<b>Deficit, beginning of year</b>	<b>50,732,542</b>	37,950,711	24,994,592	¾

<b>Deficit, end of year</b>	<b>65,030,066</b>	50,732,542	37,950,711	65,030,066
<b>Basic and diluted loss per share</b>	<b>(0.39)</b>	(0.39)	(0.45)	

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**Oncolytics Biotech Inc.**  
**STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**

For the periods ended December 31

	<b>2006</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>Cumulative from inception on April 2, 1998 to December 31, 2006</b>
	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>				
Net loss for the year	<b>(14,297,524)</b>	(12,781,831)	(12,956,119)	(65,030,066)
Deduct non-cash items				
Amortization intellectual property	<b>874,043</b>	786,459	686,717	4,036,834
Amortization capital assets	<b>52,637</b>	69,532	65,039	407,683
Stock based compensation	<b>403,550</b>	64,104	2,668,570	4,165,649
Other non-cash items		224,508	379,895	1,383,537
Net changes in non-cash working capital	<b>811,922</b>	584,766	(69,065)	1,904,921
Cash used in operating activities	<b>(12,155,372)</b>	(11,052,462)	(9,224,963)	(53,131,442)
<b>INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>				
Intellectual property	<b>(842,610)</b>	(1,033,035)	(958,809)	(5,499,280)
Capital assets	<b>(35,837)</b>	(61,309)	(15,230)	(623,348)
Purchase of short-term investments	<b>(1,035,427)</b>	(22,195,253)	(6,777,179)	(48,119,467)
Redemption of short-term investments	<b>13,808,000</b>	6,656,746	3,114,000	23,578,746
Investment in BCY LifeSciences Inc.		7,965	133,609	464,602
Investment in Transition Therapeutics Inc.				2,532,343
Cash used in investing activities	<b>11,894,126</b>	(16,624,886)	(4,503,609)	(27,666,404)
<b>FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>				
Alberta Heritage Foundation loan			¾	150,000
Proceeds from exercise of stock options and warrants	<b>241,400</b>	3,384,787	8,121,296	15,208,468
Proceeds from private placements		15,395,402	6,223,763	38,137,385
Proceeds from public offerings			9,150,902	30,793,504
Cash provided by financing activities	<b>241,400</b>	18,780,189	23,495,961	84,289,357
	<b>(19,846)</b>	(8,897,159)	9,767,389	3,491,511

**Increase (decrease) in cash and cash  
equivalents during the period**

<b>Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the period</b>	<b>3,511,357</b>	12,408,516	2,641,127	
<b>Cash and cash equivalents, end of the period</b>	<b>3,491,511</b>	3,511,357	12,408,516	3,491,511
<b>Cash interest received</b>	<b>940,100</b>	993,097	459,757	

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**To view the Notes to the Company's Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis, please see the Company's 2006 Annual Filings which will be available on [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).**

**About Oncolytics Biotech Inc.**

Oncolytics is a Calgary-based biotechnology company focused on the development of oncolytic viruses as potential cancer therapeutics. Oncolytics' clinical program includes a variety of Phase I and Phase II human trials using REOLYSIN<sup>®</sup>, its proprietary formulation of the human reovirus, alone and in combination with radiation or chemotherapy. For further information about Oncolytics please visit [www.oncolyticsbiotech.com](http://www.oncolyticsbiotech.com)

*This press release contains forward-looking statements, within the meaning of Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Forward-looking statements, including the Company's belief as to the potential of REOLYSIN<sup>®</sup> as a cancer therapeutic; the Company's expectations as to the success of its research and development programs in 2007 and beyond, the Company's planned expansion, the value of the additional patents and intellectual property; the Company's expectations related to the applications of the patented technology; the ability of the technology to strengthen the core technology; the Company's expectations as to adequacy of its existing capital resources; the design, timing, success of planned clinical trial programs and the Company's planned expansion of such programs; and other statements related to anticipated developments in the Company's business and technologies involve known and unknown risks and uncertainties, which could cause the Company's actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements. Such risks and uncertainties include, among others, the availability of funds and resources to pursue research and development projects, the efficacy of REOLYSIN<sup>®</sup> as a cancer treatment, the success and timely completion of clinical studies and trials, the Company's ability to successfully commercialize REOLYSIN<sup>®</sup>, uncertainties related to the research and development of pharmaceuticals, uncertainties related to the regulatory process and general changes to the economic environment. Investors should consult the Company's quarterly and annual filings with the Canadian and U.S. securities commissions for additional information on risks and uncertainties relating to the forward-looking statements. Investors are cautioned against placing undue reliance on forward-looking statements. The Company does not undertake to update these forward-looking statements.*

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