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Form 8-K September 24, 2015

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): September 24, 2015

#### **NewLink Genetics Corporation**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 001-35342 42-1491350 (State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

2503 South Loop Drive

Ames, IA 50010

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (515) 296-5555

#### Not applicable

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

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- [] Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- [ ] Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- [] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- [] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Section 8 - Other Events

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On September 24, 2015, NewLink Genetics Corporation (the "Company") announced that the Defense Threat Reduction Agency ("DTRA") of the United States Department of Defense has awarded a subsidiary of the Company an \$8.1 million base contract with future options totaling \$5.2 million to support various development activities of the investigational rVSV-ZEBOV (Ebola) vaccine candidate.

The press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

## Section 9 - Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit

Description

Number

99.1

Press Release, dated September 24, 2015, entitled "NewLink Genetics Receives \$8.1 Million Award

from DTRA to Advance Ebola Vaccine"

#### **SIGNATURES**

Its:

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.

Dated: September 24, 2015

NewLink Genetics Corporation

By: /s/ John B. Henneman III

John B. Henneman III Chief Financial Officer

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