## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

## SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No.)\*

|                                  |                                     | (Amendment No.)   |  |
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|                                  | VA                                  | ANDA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC                               | S.   |
|                                  |                                     | (Name of Issuer)  |  |
|                                  | Com                                 | nmon Stock, par value \$0                               | .01  |
|                                  | (Tit                                | le of Class of Securitie                                | es)  |
|                                  |                                     | 921659108   |  |
|                                  |                                     | (CUSIP Number)  |  |
|                                  |                                     | December 11, 2006                                       |  |
|                                  | (Date o                             | of Event which Requires F<br>of this Statement)         | -iling   |
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| initial filing<br>for any subsec | g on this form w                    | with respect to the subjection containing information w | t for a reporting person's<br>ect class of securities, and<br>which would alter the                              |
| to be "filed"<br>1934 ("Act")    | for the purpose<br>or otherwise sub | e of Section 18 of the Se                               | ver page shall not be deemed<br>ecurities Exchange Act of<br>of that section of the Act<br>Act (however, see the |
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| S.,                              | A.C. Capital Adv                    | visors, LLC   |  |
| 2 CHI                            | ECK THE APPROPRI                    | TATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A                               | A GROUP* (a) [ ]   |
|                                  |                                     |   | (b) [X]  |
| 3 SE                             | C USE ONLY                          |   |  |
| 4 CI                             | TIZENSHIP OR PLA                    | ACE OF ORGANIZATION                                     |  |
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|                                  | 5 S                                 | SOLE VOTING POWER                                       |  |
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NUMBER OF

| SHARES<br>BENEFICIA                        |       | 6 SHARED VOTING POWER  |
|--|-------|--|
| OWNED<br>BY<br>EACH<br>REPORTING<br>PERSON | OWNED | 1,348,332 (see Item 4)   |
|  | EACH  | 7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER   |
|  | 0     |  |
| WITH                                       |       | 8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER   |
|  |       | 1,348,332 (see Item 4)   |
|  | 9     | AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON         |
|  |       | 1,348,332 (see Item 4)   |
|  | 10    | CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES |
|  |       | []   |
|  |       |  |
|  | 11    | PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)                    |
|  |       | 6.2% (see Item 4)  |
|  | 12    | TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*  |
|  |       | 00   |
|  |       | *SEE INSTRUCTION BEFORE FILLING OUT                                  |

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|                                   |                  |                                       |                    |
| 1                                 | NAME OF REPORTIN | G PERSON<br>ATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON |                    |
|                                   | S.A.C. Capital M | anagement, LLC                        |                    |
| 2                                 | CHECK THE APPROP | RIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP      | *<br>(a) [ ]       |
|                                   |                  |                                       | (b) [X]            |
| 3                                 | SEC USE ONLY     |                                       |                    |
| 4                                 | CITIZENSHIP OR P | LACE OF ORGANIZATION                  |                    |
|                                   | Delaware         |                                       |                    |
|                                   | 5                | SOLE VOTING POWER                     |                    |
|                                   |                  | 0                                     |                    |
| NUMBER OF<br>SHARES               |                  | SHARED VOTING POWER                   |                    |
| BENEFICIAL<br>OWNED               | LY               | 1,348,332 (see Item 4)                |                    |
| BY<br>EACH<br>REPORTING<br>PERSON | 7                | SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER                |                    |
|                                   |                  | 0                                     |                    |
| WITH                              | 8                | SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER              |                    |
|                                   |                  | 1,348,332 (see Item 4)                |                    |
| 9                                 | AGGREGATE AMOUNT | BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPO       | RTING PERSON       |
|                                   | 1,348,332 (see I |                                       |                    |
| 10                                | CHECK BOX IF THE | AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXC       |                    |
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|                                   |                  |                                       |                    |
| 11                                |                  | REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9       | )                  |
|                                   | 6.2% (see Item 4 |                                       |                    |
| 12                                | TYPE OF REPORTIN | G PERSON*                             |                    |
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|                                     |                  |  |                             |
| 1                                   | NAME OF REPORTIN | IG PERSON<br>CATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSO |                             |
|                                     | S.A.C. Capital A | ssociates, LLC                         |                             |
| 2                                   | CHECK THE APPROF | PRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF              | A GROUP*                    |
|                                     |                  |  | (b) [X]                     |
| 3                                   | SEC USE ONLY     |  |                             |
| 4                                   |                  | PLACE OF ORGANIZATION                  |                             |
|                                     | Anguilla, Britis |  |                             |
|                                     | 5                | SOLE VOTING POWER                      |                             |
| NUMBER OF                           |                  | 0                                      |                             |
| NUMBER OF<br>SHARES<br>BENEFICIAL   |                  | SHARED VOTING POWER                    |                             |
| OWNED<br>BY                         | .LT              | 1,335,432 (see Item 4)                 |                             |
| EACH<br>REPORTING<br>PERSON<br>WITH | 7                | SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER                 |                             |
|                                     |                  | 0                                      |                             |
| WIIII                               | 8                | SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWE                | R                           |
|                                     |                  | 1,335,432 (see Item 4)                 |                             |
| 9                                   | AGGREGATE AMOUNT | BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY E                | ACH REPORTING PERSON        |
|                                     | 1,335,432 (see I |  |                             |
| 10                                  | CHECK BOX IF THE | AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW                | (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES |
|                                     | [ ]              |  |                             |
| 11                                  | PERCENT OF CLASS | REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT I                | <br>N ROW (9)               |
|                                     | 6.1% (see Item 4 |  | . ,                         |
| 12                                  | TYPE OF REPORTIN |  |                             |
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|                     |                               |                                       |                    |  |
| 1                   | NAME OF REPORTIN              | G PERSON<br>ATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON |                    |  |
|                     | Sigma Capital Management, LLC |                                       |                    |  |
| 2                   | CHECK THE APPROP              | RIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GRO        | OUP*<br>(a) [ ]    |  |
|                     |                               |                                       | (b) [X]            |  |
| 3                   | SEC USE ONLY                  |                                       |                    |  |
| 4                   | CITIZENSHIP OR P              | LACE OF ORGANIZATION                  |                    |  |
|                     | Delaware                      |                                       |                    |  |
|                     | 5                             | SOLE VOTING POWER                     |                    |  |
|                     |                               | 0                                     |                    |  |
| NUMBER OF<br>SHARES |                               | SHARED VOTING POWER                   |                    |  |
| BENEFICIAL<br>OWNED | _LY                           | 100,000 (see Item 4)                  |                    |  |
| BY<br>EACH          | 7                             | SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER                |                    |  |
| REPORTING<br>PERSON |                               | 0                                     |                    |  |
| WITH                | 8                             | SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER              |                    |  |
|                     |                               | 100,000 (see Item 4)                  |                    |  |
| 9                   | AGGREGATE AMOUNT              | BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH RE         | EPORTING PERSON    |  |
|                     | 100,000 (see Ite              |                                       |                    |  |
| 10                  | CHECK BOX IF THE              | AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) E         |                    |  |
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|                     | DEDOCAT OF CLASS              | DEDDECENTED DV AMOUNT IN DOW          | (0)                |  |
| 11                  |                               | REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW          | (9)                |  |
|                     | 0.5% (see Item 4<br>          |                                       |                    |  |
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|                                   |                 |  |                             |
| 1                                 | NAME OF REPORTI | ING PERSON<br>CATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON |                             |
|                                   | Steven A. Coher | 1  |                             |
| 2                                 | CHECK THE APPRO | PPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A             | A GROUP* (a) [ ]            |
|                                   |                 |  | (b) [X]                     |
| 3                                 | SEC USE ONLY    |  |                             |
| 4                                 | CITIZENSHIP OR  | PLACE OF ORGANIZATION                    |                             |
|                                   | United States   |  |                             |
|                                   | <br>5           | SOLE VOTING POWER                        |                             |
|                                   |                 | 0  |                             |
| NUMBER OF<br>SHARES               |                 | S SHARED VOTING POWER                    |                             |
| BENEFICIA<br>OWNED                | LLY             | 1,448,332 (see Item 4)                   |                             |
| BY<br>EACH<br>REPORTING<br>PERSON |                 | 7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER                 |                             |
|                                   |                 | 0  |                             |
| WITH                              | 8               | B SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER               |                             |
|                                   |                 | 1,448,332 (see Item 4)                   |                             |
| 9                                 | AGGREGATE AMOUN | IT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EAC             | CH REPORTING PERSON         |
|                                   | 1,448,332 (see  |  |                             |
| 10                                | CHECK BOX IF TH |  | (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES |
|                                   | [ ]             |  |                             |
|                                   |                 | OC DEDDECENTED BY AMOUNT TH              | DOL (0)                     |
| 11                                |                 | SS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN              | ROW (9)                     |
|                                   | 6.6% (see Item  |  |                             |
| 12                                | TYPE OF REPORTI | ING PERSON*                              |                             |
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Item 1(a) Name of Issuer:

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Vanda Pharmaceuticals Inc.

Item 1(b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:

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9605 Medical Center Drive, Suite 300, Rockville, Maryland 20850

Items 2(a) Name of Person Filing:

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This statement is filed by: (i) S.A.C. Capital Advisors, LLC, ("SAC Capital Advisors") with respect to Issuer's Common Stock, par value \$0.01 (the "Shares"), beneficially owned by S.A.C. Capital Associates, LLC ("SAC Capital Associates") and S.A.C. MultiQuant Fund, LLC ("SAC MultiQuant"); (ii) S.A.C. Capital Management, LLC, ("SAC Capital Management") with respect to Shares beneficially owned by SAC Capital Associates and SAC MultiQuant; (iii) SAC Capital Associates with respect to Shares beneficially owned by it; (iv) Sigma Capital Management, LLC ("Sigma Management") with respect to Shares beneficially owned by Sigma Capital Associates, LLC ("Sigma Capital Associates") and (v) Steven A. Cohen with respect to Shares beneficially owned by SAC Capital Advisors, SAC Capital Management, SAC Capital Associates, SAC MultiQuant, Sigma Management and Sigma Capital Associates.

SAC Capital Advisors, SAC Capital Management, SAC Capital Associates, Sigma Management and Steven A. Cohen have entered into a Joint Filing Agreement, a copy of which is filed with this Schedule 13G as Exhibit 99.1, pursuant to which they have agreed to file this Schedule 13G jointly in accordance with the provisions of Rule 13d-1(k) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

Item 2(b) Address of Principal Business Office:

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The address of the principal business office of (i) SAC Capital Advisors and Mr. Cohen is 72 Cummings Point Road, Stamford, Connecticut 06902 (ii) SAC Capital Management and Sigma Management is 540 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10022 and (iii) SAC Capital Associates is P.O. Box 58, Victoria House, The Valley, Anguilla, British West Indies.

Item 2(c) Citizenship:

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SAC Capital Advisors, SAC Capital Management and Sigma Management are Delaware limited liability companies. SAC Capital Associates is an Anguillan limited liability company. Mr. Cohen is a United States citizen. Item 2(d) Title of Class of Securities: Common Stock, par value \$0.01 Item 2(e) CUSIP Number: 921659108 Not Applicable Item 3 Item 4 Ownership: The percentages used herein are calculated based upon the Shares issued and outstanding as of November 1, 2006 as reported on the Issuer's quarterly report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission for the quarter ended September 30, 2006. As of the close of business on December 12, 2006: 1. S.A.C. Capital Advisors, LLC (a) Amount beneficially owned: 1,348,332 (b) Percent of class: 6.2% (c)(i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote: -0-(ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 1,348,332 (iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: -0-(iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition:

- 2. S.A.C. Capital Management, LLC
- (a) Amount beneficially owned: 1,348,332
- (b) Percent of class: 6.2%

1,348,332

- (c)(i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote: -0-
- (ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 1,348,332
- (iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: -0-
- (iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition: 1,348,332
- 3. S.A.C. Capital Associates, LLC
- (a) Amount beneficially owned: 1,335,432
- (b) Percent of class: 6.1%
- (c)(i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote: -0-
- (ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 1,335,432
- (iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: -0-
- (iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition: 1,335,432
- 4. Sigma Capital Management, LLC

- (a) Amount beneficially owned: 100,000
  (b) Percent of class: 0.5%
  (c)(i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote: -0(ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 100,000
  (iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: -0(iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition: 100,000
- 5. Steven A. Cohen
- (a) Amount beneficially owned: 1,448,332
- (b) Percent of class: 6.6%
- (c)(i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote: -0-
- (ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 1,448,332
- (iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: -0-
- (iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition: 1,448,332

SAC Capital Advisors, SAC Capital Management, Sigma Management and Mr. Cohen do not directly own any Shares. Pursuant to investment agreements, each of SAC Capital Advisors and SAC Capital Management share all investment and voting power with respect to the securities held by SAC Capital Associates and SAC MultiQuant. Pursuant to an investment management agreement, Sigma Management maintains investment and voting power with respect to the securities held by Sigma Capital Associates. Mr. Cohen controls each of SAC Capital Advisors, SAC Capital Management and Sigma Management. By reason of the provisions of Rule 13d-3 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, each of (i) SAC Capital Advisors, SAC Capital Management and Mr. Cohen may be deemed to own beneficially 1,348,332 Shares (representing approximately 6.2% of the Shares outstanding); and (ii) Sigma Management and Mr. Cohen may be deemed to own beneficially 100,000 Shares (constituting approximately 0.5% of the Shares outstanding). Each of SAC Capital Advisors, SAC Capital Management, Sigma Management and Mr. Cohen disclaim beneficial ownership of any of the securities covered by this statement.

Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class:

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following. [ ]

Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another

Person:

Not Applicable

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Item 7 Identification and Classification of the \_\_\_\_\_\_ Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being -----Reported on By the Parent Holding Company: Not Applicable Item 8 Identification and Classification of Members of the Group: Not Applicable Item 9 Notice of Dissolution of Group: -----

Not Applicable Certification:

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By signing below the signatory certifies that, to the best of his knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or

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## SIGNATURE

| After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct. |
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| Dated: December 21, 2006   |
| S.A.C. CAPITAL ADVISORS, LLC   |
| By: /s/ Peter Nussbaum Name: Peter Nussbaum Title: Authorized Person  S.A.C. CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, LLC   |
| By: /s/ Peter Nussbaum   |
| Name: Peter Nussbaum   |

S.A.C. CAPITAL ASSOCIATES, LLC

By: /s/ Peter Nussbaum

Name: Peter Nussbaum Title: Authorized Person

Title: Authorized Person

SIGMA CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, LLC

By: /s/ Peter Nussbaum

Name: Peter Nussbaum Title: Authorized Person

STEVEN A. COHEN

By: /s/ Peter Nussbaum

Name: Peter Nussbaum Title: Authorized Person

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## JOINT FILING AGREEMENT

The undersigned hereby agree that the foregoing statement on Schedule 13G is filed on behalf of each of the undersigned in accordance with the provisions of Rule 13d-1(k) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and that all subsequent amendments to this statement on Schedule 13G may be filed on behalf of each of the undersigned without the necessity of filing additional joint filing agreements.

Dated: December 21, 2006

S.A.C. CAPITAL ADVISORS, LLC

By: /s/ Peter Nussbaum

Name: Peter Nussbaum Title: Authorized Person

S.A.C. CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, LLC

By: /s/ Peter Nussbaum

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Name: Peter Nussbaum Title: Authorized Person

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By: /s/ Peter Nussbaum

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Name: Peter Nussbaum Title: Authorized Person