

GENOME THERAPEUTICS CORP  
Form 8-K  
May 14, 2003

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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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): May 13, 2003

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GENOME THERAPEUTICS CORP.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Massachusetts  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

0-10824  
(Commission File Number)

04-2297484  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification Number)

100 Beaver Street  
Waltham, Massachusetts 02453

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(781) 398-2300

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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Item 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release issued by Genome Therapeutics Corp. on May 13, 2003.

Item 9. DISCLOSURE FURNISHED PURSUANT TO ITEM 12. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION.

On May 13, 2003, Genome Therapeutics Corp. issued a press release announcing its financial results for its first fiscal quarter ended March 29, 2003. A copy of that press release is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1.

The information in this Form 8-K is furnished under Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition in accordance with SEC Release No. 33-8216. The information in this Form 8-K and the Exhibit attached hereto shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

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.

GENOME THERAPEUTICS CORP.

By:           /s/ STEPHEN COHEN          

**Name: Stephen Cohen**  
**Title: Senior Vice**  
**President and Chief**  
**Financial Officer**

Date: May 14, 2003

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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