ARENA PHARMACEUTICALS INC Form SC 13G February 10, 2003

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

> > SCHEDULE 13G (Amendment No.)*

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Arena Pharmaceuticals Inc. (Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, \$.0001 par value (Title of Class of Securities)

040047102 (CUSIP Number)

December 31, 2002 (Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

- |X| Rule 13d-1(b)
- |_| Rule 13d-1(c)
- |_| Rule 13d-1(d)

*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

3. SEC USE ONLY

4.	CITIZENSH	IP OR	PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
	New York		
NU	MBER OF	5.	SOLE VOTING POWER
S	HARES		2,598,802
BENEFICIALLY		6.	SHARED VOTING POWER
OWNED BY			NONE
EACH		7.	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
REPORTING			2,598,802
PERSON		8.	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
	WITH		NONE
9.	AGGREGATE	AMOU	NT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
	2,598,802		
10.	CHECK BOX	IF T	HE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*
 1 1	PERCENT OF		
	9.38%		
			ING PERSON*
	IA, CO		
			*SEE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE FILLING OUT!
CUSI	P No. 04004	47102	
1.			ING PERSONS ICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)
	Richard C	. Per	ry
2.	CHECK THE	APPR	OPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*
			(a) _ (b) _
3.	SEC USE OI	NLY	
 4.	CITIZENSH	IP OR	PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
	United Sta	ates	

NUMBER OF	5.	SOLE VOTING POWER			
SHARES		2,598,802 (all shares beneficially owned by Perry Corp.)			
BENEFICIALLY	 6.	SHARED VOTING POWER			
OWNED BY		NONE			
EACH	7.	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER			
REPORTING		2,598,802 (all shares beneficially owned by Perry Corp.)			
PERSON	8.	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER			
WITH		NONE			
9. AGGREGA	TE AMOU	NT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON			
2,598,8	802				
10. CHECK E	BOX IF I	THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*			
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11. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)					
9.38%					
12. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*					
IN, HC					
		*SEE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE FILLING OUT!			
ITEM 1(a).	NAME OF	ISSUER:			
	Arena P	harmaceuticals Inc.			
ITEM 1(b).	ADDRESS	OF ISSUER'S PRINCIPAL PLACE EXECUTIVE OFFICES:			
		ncy Ridge Drive go, CA 92121			
ITEM 2(a).	NAME OF	PERSON FILING:			
This statement is filed on behalf of Perry Corp., a New York corporation, and Richard C. Perry, an American citizen. Perry Corp. is a private investment firm, and Richard C. Perry is the President and sole stockholder of Perry Corp. Their agreement in writing to file this statement on behalf of each of them is attached as Exhibit A hereto.					

This statement relates to shares held for the accounts of two or more private investment funds for which Perry Corp. acts as general partner and/or investment adviser.

ITEM 2(b). ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE:

599 Lexington Avenue New York, NY 10022

ITEM 2(c). CITIZENSHIP:

Perry Corp. is a New York corporation, and Richard C. Perry is a citizen of the United States.

ITEM 2(d). TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES:

Common Stock, \$0.0001 par value

ITEM 2(e). CUSIP NUMBER:

040047102

ITEM 3. IF THIS STATEMENT IS FILED PURSUANT TO RULE 13d-1(b), OR 13d-2(b) OR 13d-2(c), CHECK WHETHER THE PERSON FILING IS A:

Perry Corp. is an investment adviser registered under Section 203 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, and Richard C. Perry is a control person of Perry Corp.

- ITEM 4. OWNERSHIP:
 - (a) AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED:
 - 2,598,802
 - (b) PERCENT OF CLASS:

9.38%

- (c) NUMBER OF SHARES AS TO WHICH SUCH PERSON HAS:
 - (i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote:2,598,802 shares
 - (ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote:
 - (iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 2,598,802
 - (iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: NONE
- ITEM 5. 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 5 percent of the class of securities, check the following $|_|$

ITEM 6. OWNERSHIP OF MORE THAN FIVE PERCENT ON BEHALF OF ANOTHER PERSON:

The limited partners of (or investors in) each of two or more private investment funds for which Perry Corp. acts as general partner and/or investment adviser have the right to participate in the receipt of dividends from, or proceeds from the sale of, the

shares held for the accounts of their respective funds in accordance with their respective limited partnership interest (or investment percentages) in their respective funds.

ITEM 7. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF THE SUBSIDIARY WHICH ACQUIRED THE SECURITY BEING REPORTED ON BY THE PARENT HOLDING COMPANY:

See Exhibit B

ITEM 8. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERS OF THE GROUP:

Not Applicable

ITEM 9. NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF THE GROUP:

Not Applicable

ITEM 10. CERTIFICATION:

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and 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 effect.

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.

PERRY CORP.

Dated: February 10, 2003 New York, New York

By: /s/ Richard C. Perry

Name: Richard C. Perry Title: President

Dated: February 10, 2003 New York, New York

/s/ Richard C. Perry

Richard C. Perry

EXHIBIT A

AGREEMENT

JOINT FILING OF SCHEDULE 13G

The undersigned hereby agree to jointly prepare and file with regulatory authorities a Schedule 13G and any future amendments thereto reporting each of the undersigned's ownership of securities of Arena Pharmaceuticals Inc., and hereby affirm that such Schedule 13G is being filed on behalf of each of the undersigned pursuant to and in accordance with the

provisions of Rule 13d-1(k) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The undersigned acknowledge that each shall be responsible for the timely filing of such amendments, and for the completeness and accuracy of the information concerning him or it contained therein, but shall not be responsible for the completeness and accuracy of the information concerning the other, except to the extent that he or it knows or has reason to believe that such information is inaccurate.

PERRY CORP.

Dated: February 10, 2003 New York, New York

By: /s/ Richard C. Perry

Name: Richard C. Perry Title: President

Dated: February 10, 2003 New York, New York

/s/ Richard C. Perry

Richard C. Perry

EXHIBIT B

ITEM 7

Perry Corp. is the relevant entity for which Richard C. Perry may be considered a control person.

Perry Corp. is an investment adviser registered under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940.