LA JOLLA PHARMACEUTICAL CO Form 8-K March 02, 2004

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 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): March 2, 2004

LA JOLLA PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANY

Delaware 0-24274 33-0361285

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

6455 Nancy Ridge Drive San Diego, California 92121 (Address of Principal Executive Offices, Including Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (858) 452-6600

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Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

In a press release on March 2, 2004, La Jolla Pharmaceutical Company announced and commented on its financial results for its fourth quarter and year ended December 31, 2003. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated by reference herein. The press release is being furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission under Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

The information in this Form 8-K and the exhibit attached hereto and incorporated herein shall not be deemed filed for purposes of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), or incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in any such filing.

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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 hereunto duly authorized.

Date: March 2, 2004

LA JOLLA PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANY

By: /s/ Steven B. Engle Steven B. Engle Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

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99.1	Press Release (furnished pursuant to Item 12. of Form 8-K)