

ARENA PHARMACEUTICALS INC
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 AJIT-SIMH K A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ARENA PHARMACEUTICALS INC [ARNA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O ARENA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 6166 NANCY RIDGE DRIVE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 03/06/2006

____ Director
 Officer (give title below) _____ 10% Owner
 _____ Other (specify below)
 VP, Quality Systems

(Street)
 SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 ____ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				(A) or (D)	Price			
				Code	V	Amount		
Common Stock	03/06/2006		M		10,000	A	\$ 6 11,179	D
Common Stock	03/06/2006		S		7,700	D	\$ 19.38 3,479	D
Common Stock	03/06/2006		S		2,300	D	\$ 19.39 1,179	D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 6	03/06/2006		M	10,000	01/18/2004 ⁽¹⁾ 01/18/2014	Common Stock	10,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

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Signatures

Adam S. Chinnock, as
Attorney-in-Fact

03/07/2006

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) These options are exercisable upon grant, but vest in four equal annual installments beginning on January 18, 2005.

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