

EDWARDS LIFESCIENCES CORP  
Form 8-K  
April 22, 2004

**UNITED STATES  
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): **April 22, 2004**

**EDWARDS LIFESCIENCES CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**1-15525**  
(Commission  
file number)

**36-4316614**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**One Edwards Way, Irvine, California**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**92614**  
(Zip Code)

**(949) 250-2500**  
Registrant's telephone number, including area code

**Item 7. Financial Statements, *Pro Forma* Financial Information and Exhibits.**

(c) **Exhibits**

99.1 Press release, dated April 22, 2004, reporting Edwards' financial results for the first quarter of 2004.

**Item 12. Disclosure of Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

This information furnished under this Item 12, including Exhibit 99.1 shall not be deemed to be filed for purposes of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act) except that the information contained in the first two paragraphs of Exhibit 99.1 and pages 6 through 11, inclusive, shall be considered to be filed under the Exchange Act.

On April 22, 2004, Edwards Lifesciences Corporation, a Delaware corporation ( Edwards ), issued a press release setting forth Edwards' financial results for the first quarter of 2004. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

**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: April 22, 2004

**EDWARDS LIFESCIENCES CORPORATION**

By: /s/ Bruce P. Garren  
Bruce P. Garren  
Corporate Vice President,  
General Counsel and Secretary

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