AJIT-SIMH K A Form 4 March 05, 2008

# FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

C/O ARENA

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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol ARENA PHARMACEUTICALS

INC [ARNA]

(Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner

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

X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP, Quality Systems

03/03/2008

(Middle)

PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 6166 NANCY RIDGE DRIVE

(First)

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Instr. 8)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial

Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of conDerivative 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 6.99	03/03/2008		A	20,000	<u>(1)</u>	03/03/2018	Common Stock	20,000

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

AJIT-SIMH K A C/O ARENA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 6166 NANCY RIDGE DRIVE SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

VP, Quality Systems

# **Signatures**

Adam S. Chinnock, as Attorney-in-Fact

03/05/2008

\*\*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) The options vest in four equal annual installments (except as otherwise necessary to avoid vesting of a fractional share), beginning on March 3, 2009, and are exercisable once vested.

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