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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): May 16, 2008

La Jolla Pharmaceutical Company

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 000-24274 33-0361285 (State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

6455 Nancy Ridge Drive, San Diego, California

92121

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

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

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last

report)

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Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On May 16, 2008, Nader J. Naini notified La Jolla Pharmaceutical Company (the <u>Company</u>) of his resignation from the board of directors of the Company, effective as of the date of the Company s 2008 annual meeting of stockholders to be held on May 22, 2008. Mr. Naini s resignation was not the result of a disagreement with the Company on any matter relating to its operations, policies or practices.

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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.

La Jolla Pharmaceutical Company

Date: May 21, 2008 By: /s/ Gail A. Sloan

Gail A. Sloan

Vice President of Finance and Secretary