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ARENA PHARMACEUTICALS INC Form 3 December 18, 2015 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION FORM 3 Washington, D.C. 20549

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Person

Reporting Person

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Mezzino Maurice James		2. Date of Event RequiringStatement(Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ARENA PHARMACEUTICALS INC [ARNA]		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	12/16/2015	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
C/O AREN PHARMAG		LS.		(Check all applicable)	(

PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 6154 NANCY RIDGE DRIVE

(Street)

(State)

SAN DIEGO, CAÂ 92121

(City)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

SEC 1473 (7-02)

10% Owner

_ Other

Director

(give title below) (specify below)

SVP, Corporate Development

_X__Officer

1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	8,763	D	Â

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

(Zip)

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

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Date Exercisable and	3. Title and Amount of	4.	5.	6. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 4)	Expiration Date	Securities Underlying	Conversion	Ownership	Beneficial Ownership
	(Month/Day/Year)	Derivative Security	or Exercise	Form of	(Instr. 5)

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			(Instr. 4)		Price of	Derivative		
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security Dia or (I)	Direct (D) or Indirect	or Indirect (I)	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	(1)	09/15/2021	Common Stock	61,220	\$ 1.48	D	Â	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	(2)	10/03/2021	Common Stock	9,780	\$ 1.48	D	Â	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	(<u>3)</u>	03/19/2022	Common Stock	75,000	\$ 1.81	D	Â	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	(4)	03/05/2020	Common Stock	45,000	\$ 8.54	D	Â	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	(5)	03/03/2021	Common Stock	60,000	\$ 6.8	D	Â	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	(6)	03/11/2022	Common Stock	75,000	\$ 4.47	D	Â	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Mezzino Maurice James C/O ARENA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 6154 NANCY RIDGE DRIVE SAN DIEGO, CA 92121	Â	Â	SVP, Corporate Development	Â		
Signatures						
Adam S. Chinnock, as Attorney-in-Fact	2/18/2015	5				
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date					

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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 originally for a total of 65,220 shares vested and became exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on September 15, 2012.

(2) The options vested and became exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on September 15, 2012.

The options vest in four equal annual installments, and are exercisable once vested. The first installment became exercisable on March 19, 2013, the second installment became exercisable on March 19, 2014, the third installment became exercisable on March 19, 2015, and the fourth installment vests on March 19, 2016.

The options vest in four equal annual installments, and are exercisable once vested. The first installment became exercisable on March 5, 2014, the second installment became exercisable on March 5, 2015, the third installment vests on March 5, 2016, and the fourth installment vests on March 5, 2017.

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The options vest in four equal annual installments, and are exercisable once vested. The first installment became exercisable on March 3, 2015, the second installment vests on March 3, 2016, the third installment vests on March 3, 2017, and the fourth installment vests on March 3, 2018.

(6) The options vest in four equal annual installments beginning on March 11, 2016, and are exercisable once vested.

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