DANAHER CORP /DE/ Form 8-K April 17, 2003

## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 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): April 17, 2003

# DANAHER CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Delaware 001-08089 59-1995548

(State or other jurisdiction (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

of incorporation)

2099 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.

Washington, D.C. 20006-1813

(Address of Principal Executive Offices and Zip Code)

(202) 828-0850

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(Registrant s telephone Number, including area code)

## Not applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

#### ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND EXHIBITS.

(c) Exhibits The following exhibit is provided as part of the information furnished under Item 9 and Item 12 of this Current Report on Form 8-K:

Exhibit No.	Description	
99.1	Press release	Danaher Corporation Announces Record First Quarter Results

#### ITEM 9. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE.

On April 17, 2003, Danaher Corporation issued a press release announcing earnings for the quarter ended March 28, 2003. A copy of the release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated by reference herein. This Current Report on Form 8-K and the press release attached hereto are being furnished by Danaher pursuant to Item 9 and Item 12 of Form 8-K.

#### **SIGNATURE**

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.

#### DANAHER CORPORATION

By: /s/ Patrick W. Allender

Name: Patrick W. Allender
Title: Executive Vice President
- Chief Financial Officer

and Secretary

Dated: April 16, 2003

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