UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

[X] QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended March 31, 1997

or

[] TRANSITION REPORTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from ______ to _____

Commission File Number: 0-27488

INCYTE PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

94-3136539

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

3174 Porter Drive Palo Alto, California 94304 (Address of principal executive offices)

(415) 855-0555 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. [X] Yes [] No

The number of outstanding shares of the registrant's Common Stock, \$0.001 par value, was 10,481,541 as of April 30, 1997.

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INCYTE PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (in thousands) (unaudited)

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INCYTE PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (in thousands, except per share amounts) (unaudited)

	THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31,	
	1997	1996*
Revenue	\$ 17,859	\$ 6 , 274
Costs and expenses Research and development Selling, general and administrative	14,730 2,574	7,745 1,245
Total costs and expenses	17,304	8,990
Income (loss) from operations	555	(2,716)
Interest and other income, net	478	678
Income (loss) before income taxes	1,033	(2,038)
Provision for income taxes	(52)	-
Net income (loss)	\$ 981 =====	\$ (2,038) ======
Net income (loss) per share	\$ 0.09	\$ (0.20)
Shares used in computing net income (loss) per share	11,453	10,034

*Restated to reflect combined results and financial position of Incyte and Genome Systems.

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INCYTE PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (in thousands) (unaudited)

	THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31,	
	1997	1996
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Net income (loss)	\$ 981	\$ (2,038)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	2,238	1,036
Changes in certain assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable	(6,209)	7,169
Prepaid expenses and other assets	(3,817)	(766)
Accounts payable	(717)	(24)
Accrued liabilities	1,404	735
Deferred revenue	11,068	5,525
Total adjustments	3,967	13,675
Net cash provided by operating activities	4,948	11,637
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Capital expenditures	(4,625)	(3,821)
Purchases of securities - available-for-sale	(4,511)	(11,181)
Sale of securities - available-for-sale	4,510	-
Maturity of securities - available-for-sale	-	5,078
Net cash used in investing activities	(4,626)	(9,924)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Proceeds from issuances of common stock	91	394
Principal payments on capital lease obligations	(33)	(20)
Net cash provided by financing activities	58	374
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	380	2,087
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period	7,628	10,548
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period	\$ 8,008	\$ 12,635
SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION: Interest paid	\$5 	======= \$ 4 =======

See accompanying notes

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INCYTE PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 1997 (UNAUDITED)

1. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. The condensed balance sheet as of March 31, 1997, statements of operations for the three months ended March 31, 1997 and 1996 and the statements of cash flows for the three months ended March 31, 1997 and 1996 are unaudited, but include all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring adjustments) which the Company considers necessary for a fair presentation of the financial position, operating results and cash flows for the periods presented. The condensed consolidated financial statements include the accounts of its wholly-owned subsidiaries. In July 1996, all of the outstanding shares of Genome Systems, Inc. ("Genome Systems") were acquired by the Company in a business combination accounted for as a pooling-of-interests. Accordingly, all prior financial data have been restated to represent the combined financial results of the previously separate entities (Note 4). Although the Company believes that the disclosures in these financial statements are adequate to make the information presented not misleading, certain information and footnote information normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles have been condensed or omitted pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Results for any interim period are not necessarily indicative of results for any future interim period or for the entire year. The accompanying financial statements should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1996.

2. REVENUE RECOGNITION

The Company recognizes revenue for database collaboration agreements evenly over the term of the agreement. Revenue is deferred for fees received before earned. Revenues from custom orders, such as satellite databases, are recognized upon shipment. Revenues from reagents and genomic screening products are recognized when shipped, and revenues from genomic screening services are recognized upon completion.

3. NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE

Net income (loss) per share is computed using the weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding and dilutive common equivalent shares. For the comparative quarter of 1996, common

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equivalent shares from stock options and warrants are excluded from the computation as their effect is antidilutive.

In February 1997, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Statement No. 128, Earnings per Share, which is required to be adopted on December 31, 1997. At that time, the Company will be required to change the method currently used to compute earnings per share and to restate all prior periods. Under the new requirements for calculating primary earnings per share, the dilutive effect of stock options will be excluded. The Company expects that there will be no material impact on the earnings per share for the quarters ended March 31, 1997 and 1996.

4. BUSINESS COMBINATIONS

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In July 1996, the Company issued 204,073 shares of common stock in exchange for all of the capital stock of Genome Systems, Inc., a privately held genomics company in St. Louis, Missouri. Genome Systems provides genomic research products and technical support services to scientists to assist them in the identification and isolation of novel genes. The merger has been accounted for as a pooling of interests and, accordingly, the Company's financial statements and financial data have been restated to include the accounts and operations of Genome Systems for all periods presented.

The table below presents the separate results of operations for Genome Systems for the period prior to the merger (in thousands):

	Incyte	Genome Systems	Combined
Three months ended March 31, 1996			
Revenue	\$ 5 , 583	\$691	\$ 6,274
Net income (loss)	(2,058)	20	(2,038)

In August 1996, the Company acquired all the common stock of Combion Inc., a privately held microarray technology company in Pasadena, California, for 73,171 shares of common stock. The acquisition was accounted for as a purchase transaction, therefore, Combion's results of operations have been included in the consolidated results of operations since the date of acquisition.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

This Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations as of March 31, 1997 and for the three month periods ended March 31, 1997 and 1996 should be read in conjunction with the Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1996 and with the section of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1996 entitled "Item 1. Business - Factors That May Affect Results".

When used in this discussion, the word "expects" and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. Such statements, which include statements as to expected expenditure levels and the adequacy of capital resources, are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected. These risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, the ability of the Company to obtain and retain customers; competition from other entities; early termination of a database subscription agreement or failure to renew an agreement upon expiration; the ability to successfully integrate the operations of recent business combinations; the cost of accessing technologies developed by other companies; uncertainty as to the scope of coverage, enforceability or commercial protection from patents that issue on gene sequences and other genetic information; and the matters discussed in Item 1 of the Company's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1996 under the caption "Business -- Factors That May Affect Results". These forward looking statements speak only as of the date hereof. The Company expressly disclaims any obligation or undertaking to release publicly any updates or revisions to any forward-looking statements contained herein to reflect any change in the Company's expectations with regard thereto or any change in events, conditions or circumstances on which any such statement is based.

OVERVIEW

Incyte Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (the "Company") designs, develops and markets genomic databases, products, software tools and genomic reagents and services. The Company's database products and services integrate bioinformatics software with proprietary and, when appropriate, publicly available genetic information to create information-based tools marketed to the pharmaceutical and biotechnology industries on a non-exclusive basis for use in drug discovery and development. In building its genomic databases, the Company utilizes high-throughput, computer-aided gene sequencing and analysis technologies to identify and characterize the expressed genes of the human genome as well as certain animal, plant and microbial genomes. During the quarter ended March 31, 1997, the Company announced three new database collaborations. Additionally, since the beginning of the year, two collaborators extended the term of their respective database collaboration agreements which were originally scheduled to expire at the end of 1997 and 1998.

In July 1996, the Company issued shares of its Common Stock in exchange for all of the outstanding shares of Genome Systems, Inc. ("Genome Systems"), a genomics service company in St. Louis, Missouri. The transaction has been accounted for as a pooling of interests, and the consolidated

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financial statements discussed herein and all historical financial information have been restated to reflect the combined operations of both companies.

Revenues recognized by the Company are predominately related to database collaboration agreements and consist primarily of nonexclusive database access fees. Revenues also include the sales of genomic screening products and services and fees for custom or "satellite" database services. The Company's database collaboration agreements also provide for future milestone payments and royalties from the sale of products derived from proprietary information obtained through the databases. There can be no assurance that any database collaborator will ever generate products from information contained within the databases and thus that the Company will ever receive milestone payments or royalties. There can be no assurance that any of the Company's database collaboration agreements will be renewed upon expiration, typically after a term of three years, or will not be terminated earlier if the Company breaches any material provision of any database collaboration agreement.

The Company has incurred annual operating losses since inception. While the Company reported net income in this quarter, there can be no assurance that the Company can maintain profitability. There can also be no assurance that the Company will be able to sustain significant annual revenues by obtaining new customers and retaining existing customers for the Company's database and genomics products and services, or that given the significant investment in new product development, marketing, sales and customer service currently planned by the Company in 1997 and beyond, the revenue generated will be adequate to fund the Company's operating expenses. In particular, one of the Company's first database collaboration agreements is scheduled to expire at the end of 1997 and it is not known if the agreement will be renewed, and if renewed, under what terms. The loss of any database collaborator could have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial condition and results of operations.

The Company's operating results may fluctuate significantly from quarter to quarter as a result of a variety of factors, including changes in the demand for the Company's products and services, the pricing of database access to database collaborators, and the introduction of competitive databases or services by others. In particular, the Company has a limited ability to control the timing of database installations due to the lengthy sales cycle required for the Company's database products, the time required to complete custom orders can vary and the growing investment in external research and development alliances could result in significant quarterly expense fluctuations due to the payment of milestones, license fees or research payments. The need for continued investment in development of the Company's databases and related products and services and for extensive ongoing customer support capabilities results in significant fixed expenses. The Company believes that quarterly comparisons of its financial results will not necessarily be meaningful and should not be relied upon as an indication of future performance.

The two business combinations completed in 1996, Genome Systems and Combion, Inc. ("Combion"), are accompanied by risks commonly encountered in business combinations of companies. Such risks include, among other things, fluctuations in the Company's quarterly and annual operating results due to the costs and expenses of acquiring and integrating new businesses or technologies, the difficulty and expense of assimilating the operations and personnel of the combined or acquired businesses, the potential disruption of the Company's ongoing business and diversion of management time and attention, the inability to successfully integrate or to complete the development and application of acquired technology and the potential failure to achieve anticipated financial, operating and strategic benefits from such acquisitions and difficulties in establishing and maintaining uniform standards, controls, procedures and policies.

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10 RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Revenues for the three months ended March 31, 1997 increased to \$17.9 million compared to \$6.3 million for the corresponding period in 1996. Revenues resulted primarily from database access fees and to a much lesser extent from genomic screening products and services and custom satellite database services. The increase in revenues in comparable quarters was primarily due to an increase in the number of database collaboration agreements.

Total costs and expenses for the three months ended March 31, 1997 were \$17.3 million compared to \$9.0 million for the same period of 1996. Research and development expenses accounted for 84% of the increase and selling, general and administrative expenses represented 16% of the increase from period to period. Total costs and expenses are expected to increase in the foreseeable future due to continued investment in new product development and data production, obligations under existing and future research and development alliances, and increased investment in marketing, sales and customer services. The magnitude of the Company's operating expenses will largely be a function of the Company's ability to secure new collaborators for its database products and services. However, if the Company does not obtain additional collaborators in a timely manner, it may not be able to adjust significantly its level of expenditures in any such period, which could have an adverse effect on the Company's operating results.

Research and development expenses increased to \$14.7 million for the three months ended March 31, 1997 compared to \$7.7 million for the same period in 1996. The increase from 1996 to 1997 was primarily attributable to the increase in the production of gene sequence and mapping information, increased bioinformatics and database development efforts, costs related to intellectual property protection and expenses related to continuing operations at Combion and expanding operations at Genome Systems. The Company expects research and development spending to increase over the next few years as the Company continues to broaden its gene sequence production operations, pursue the development of new database products and services, invest in new technologies and invest in the continued protection of its intellectual property.

Selling, general and administrative expenses increased to \$2.6 million for the three months ended March 31, 1997 compared to \$1.2 million for the same period in 1996. The increase is due primarily to growth in marketing, sales and customer services and additional administrative personnel required to support growth of the Company. The Company expects that selling, general and administrative expenses will increase throughout 1997 due to continued growth in marketing, sales and customer support, as well as expanding operations.

Interest and other income, net decreased to 0.5 million for the three months ended March 31, 1997 from 0.7 million for the same period in 1996 primarily as the result of reduced interest income from lower average cash balances.

The estimated effective annual income tax rate for the first quarter of 1997 is 5% which represents the provision of federal and state alternative minimum taxes after utilization of net operating loss carryforwards. No provisions have been recorded prior to this quarter as the Company incurred annual net operating losses.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

As of March 31, 1997, the Company had \$38.5 million in cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities, compared to \$38.3 million as of December 31, 1996. Cash provided by operations was largely offset by investments in capital equipment, research and development alliances and facilities improvements. The Company has classified all of its cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities - available-for-sale as short-term, as the Company may not hold its

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investments until maturity in order to take advantage of favorable market conditions. Available cash is invested in accordance with the Company's investment policy's primary objectives of liquidity, safety of principal and diversity of investments.

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Net cash provided by operating activities was \$4.9 million for the three months ended March 31, 1997, as compared to net cash provided by operating activities of \$11.6 million for the three months ended March 31, 1996. The decrease in net cash provided by operating activities resulted primarily from increased accounts receivable and prepaid expenses and other assets in 1997 partially offset by increased deferred revenue and the change from net loss to net income. Net cash generated by operating activities may in the future fluctuate significantly from quarter to quarter due to periodic large prepayments by database collaborators. The Company's investing activities, other than purchases and maturities of short-term investments, have consisted of capital expenditures, which totaled \$4.6 million for the three months ended March 31, 1997 as compared to \$3.8 million for the three months ended March 31, 1996. The increase was primarily due to purchases of computer hardware required to support existing and developing database modules and, to a lesser extent, lab equipment and tenant improvements on the Company's facilities. Net cash provided by financing activities was \$58,000 and \$374,000 for the three months ended March 31, 1997 and 1996, respectively. The decrease was primarily due to reduced proceeds from the exercise of stock options.

The Company expects its cash requirements to increase throughout 1997 as it increases its investment in data-processing-related computer hardware in order to support its existing and new database products, continues to seek access to technologies through alliances, license agreements and/or acquisitions, and addresses its needs for larger facilities and/or improvements in existing facilities. The Company expects to continue to fund future operations with revenues from genomic database products and services in addition to using its current cash, cash equivalents and investments when necessary. The Company expects these resources will satisfy the Company's projected working capital and capital expenditure requirements at least for the next twelve months. However, the Company can offer no assurance that the Company will be able to obtain additional collaborators for the Company's databases or that such database products and services will produce revenues, which together with the Company's cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities, will be adequate to fund the Company's operating expenses. The Company's cash requirements depend on numerous factors, including the ability of the Company to attract and retain collaborators for its databases and genomic products and services; the Company's research and development activities; competing technological and market developments; the cost of filing, prosecuting, defending and enforcing patent claims and other intellectual property rights; the purchase of additional capital equipment, including capital equipment necessary to insure that the Company's sequencing operation remains competitive; and costs associated with the integration of new operations assumed through mergers and acquisitions. There can be no assurance that additional funding, if necessary, will be available on favorable terms, if at all.

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PART II: OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 1. Legal Proceedings Not Applicable ITEM 2. Changes in Securities None ITEM 3. Defaults upon Senior Securities None ITEM 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders None ITEM 5. Other Information None ITEM 6. Exhibits and Reports on Form 8-K. a) Exhibits See Exhibit Index on Page 14 b) Reports on Form 8-K

None

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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 thereunto duly authorized.

INCYTE PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

Date:	May 12, 1997	By: /s/ Roy A. Whitfield
		Roy A. Whitfield Chief Executive Officer
Date:	May 12, 1997	By: /s/ Denise M. Gilbert
		Denise M. Gilbert Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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EXHIBIT INDEX

11.1 Statement Re: Computation of Earnings Per Share

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STATEMENT RE COMPUTATION OF LOSS PER SHARE (In thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	1997	1996
Primary Earnings Per Share		
Weighted average common shares outstanding during the period	10,455	10,034
Adjustment for dilutive effect of outstanding stock options	998	-
Weighted average common and common equivalent shares used for primary earnings (loss) per share	11,453	10,034
Net income (loss)	981	(2,038)
Net income (loss) per share	===== \$0.09 =====	====== (\$0.20) ======
Fully Diluted Earnings Per Share		
Weighted average common shares outstanding during the period	10,455	10,034
Adjustment for dilutive effect of outstanding stock options	998	-
Weighted average common and common equivalent shares used for fully diluted earnings (loss) per share	11,453	10,034
Net income (loss)	====== 981	====== (2,038)
Net income (loss) per share	====== \$0.09 ======	====== (\$0.20) ======

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This schedule contains summary financial information extracted from Item 1 of Form 10-Q for the period ended March 31, 1997 and is qualified in its entirety by reference to such 10-Q.

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