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GENOME THERAPEUTICS CORP  
Form 8-K  
October 09, 2001

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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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): October 9, 2001

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GENOME THERAPEUTICS CORP.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

MASSACHUSETTS

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(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(I.R.S.  
Identificat

100 BEAVER STREET  
WALTHAM, MASSACHUSETTS 02453

(Address, of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(781) 398-2300

(Registrant's Telephone number including area code)

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Item 5. OTHER EVENTS

On October 9, 2001, Genome Therapeutics Corp. issued a press release

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announcing that it has acquired the exclusive license in the United States and Canada for the novel antibiotic, Ramoplanin, from Biosearch Italia S.p.A. (Nuovo Mercato: BIO.MI), a leading Italian biotechnology company focused on new antibiotics for treating infectious diseases caused by multi-resistant micro-organisms (bacteria and fungi). A copy of this press release is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1.

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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.

GENOME THERAPEUTICS CORP.

By /s/ Stephen Cohen

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Name: Stephen Cohen  
Title: Chief Financial Officer

Date: October 9, 2001

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EXHIBIT INDEX

99.1 Press Release dated October 9, 2001

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