

INVITROGEN CORP  
Form 8-K  
July 03, 2003

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**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): July 2, 2003

**INVITROGEN CORPORATION**

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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**

**0-25317**

**33-0373077**

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(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

(Commission File No.)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**1600 Faraday Avenue, Carlsbad, CA**

**92008**

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(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(760) 603-7200**

**Not Applicable**

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

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**Item 5. OTHER EVENTS.**

On July 2, 2003, Invitrogen Corporation ( Invitrogen ) announced that it signed a definitive agreement to acquire Molecular Probes, Inc. ( Molecular Probes ) in exchange for approximately \$325,000,000 in cash. A copy of the definitive agreement between Invitrogen and Molecular Probes is filed as Exhibit 2.1 hereto.

A copy of the press release announcing the execution of the definitive agreement dated July 2, 2003 is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.**

(c) Exhibits

<b>Exhibit</b>	<b>Description</b>
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**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.

**Invitrogen Corporation**

Date: July 3, 2003

By: /s/ John A. Cottingham

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John A. Cottingham  
Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

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