FORM 3

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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| 1. Name and Add  |                  | 2. Date of Even<br>Requiring State<br>(Month/Day/Yea<br>10/09/2003 | ment   | 3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol PRO PHARMACEUTICALS INC [ PRW ]          |  |                            |  |  |  |   |
|--|------------------|--|--|---|--|----------------------------|--|--|--|---|
| (Last)   | (First) (Middle) |  |  | Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     Director 10% Owner |  |                            | (Mo                                    | 5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) |  |   |
|  |                  |  |  |   | X  | Officer (give title below) | Other (spe below)                      |  | ndividual or Join<br>blicable Line)                      | d/Group Filing (Check                                       |
| (Street)   |                  |  |  |   |  | Chief Operating            | Officer                                |  | X Form filed b   | y One Reporting Person                                      |
| NEWTON MA 02459  |                  |  |  |   |  |                            |  | Form filed b<br>Reporting P                              | y More than One<br>erson                                 |   |
| (City)   | (State)          | (Zip)  |  |   |  |                            |  |  |  |   |
| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned   |                  |  |  |   |  |                            |  |  |  |   |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)  |                  |  |  |   | 2. Amount of Securities<br>Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)         |                            |  |  | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 5) |   |
| Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |                  |  |  |   |  |                            |  |  |  |   |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)   |                  |  | 2. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |   | 3. Title and Amount of Securit<br>Underlying Derivative Security |                            |  | 4.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise                          | Form:  | 6. Nature of Indirect<br>Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 5) |
|  |                  |  | Date<br>Exercisable  | Expiration<br>Date  | 1<br>Title   |                            | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares | Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security                       | Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 5)              |   |
| Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)  |                  | 12/14/2001   | 12/14/2011   |   | Common Stock   | 20,000                     | 3.5                                    | D  |  |   |
| Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)  |                  | (1)  | 11/14/2012   | !   | Common Stock   | 100,000                    | 3.5                                    | D  |  |   |
| Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)  |                  | (2)  | 09/02/2013   |   | Common Stock   | 650,000                    | 4.05                                   | D  |  |   |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The option vests as follows: 50% on the date of grant, an additional 25% six months from the date of grant and the final 25% on the first anniversary of the date of grant.
- 2. The option vests on the date of grant with respect to 400,000 underlying shares, an additional 100,000 underlying shares at three months from the date of grant and then in three equal quarterly installments beginning six months from the date of grant.

<u>/s/ Maureen Foley</u> 10

10/10/2003

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- \* 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).

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