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

SCHEDULE 13D

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. 16)*

Danaher Corporation

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share

(Title of Class of Securities)

23585110

(CUSIP Number)

Michael G. Ryan
2099 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, 12/th/ Floor
Washington, DC 20006-1813

(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

(202) 828-0060

April 22, 2003

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition which is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this schedule because of Rule 13d-1(b)(3) or (4), check the following box [_].

Check the following box if a fee is being paid with the statement [_]. (A fee is not required only if the reporting person: (1) has a previous statement on file reporting beneficial ownership of more than five percent of the class of securities described in Item 1; and (2) has filed no amendment subsequent thereto reporting beneficial ownership of five percent or less of such class.)

(See Rule 13d-7.)

Note: Six copies of this statement, including all exhibits, should be filed with the Commission. See Rule 13d-1(a) for other parties to whom copies are to be sent.

*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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This Amendment No. 15 to Schedule 13D amends and supplements, in accordance with Rule 13d-2, the Schedule 13D and amendments thereto previously filed by and on behalf of the Reporting Persons.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer

Item 5 is hereby amended and supplemented as follows:

As of the date hereof, Equity Group Holdings LLC is the beneficial owner of 14,314,888 Shares, representing approximately 9.4% of the 152,824,788 Shares outstanding on April 10, 2003, as represented in the Issuer's Form 10-Q filed on April 17, 2003. As of the date hereof, Equity Group Holdings II LLC is the beneficial owner of 3,692,482 Shares representing approximately 2.4% of the 152,824,788 Shares outstanding on April 10, 2003, as represented in the Issuer's Form 10-Q filed on April 17, 2003. As of the date hereof, Equity Group Holdings III LLC is the beneficial owner of 12,000,000 Shares representing approximately 7.9% of the 152,824,788 Shares outstanding on April 10, 2003, as represented in the Issuer's Form 10-Q filed on April 17, 2003. As of the date hereof, Mitchell P. Rales is the beneficial owner of 32,628,291 Shares representing approximately 21.4% of the 152,824,788 Shares outstanding on April 10, 2003, as represented in the Issuer's Form 10-Q filed on April 17, 2003. As of the date hereof, Steven M. Rales is the beneficial owner of 32,295,701 Shares representing approximately 21.1% of the 152,824,788 Shares outstanding on April 10, 2003, as represented in the Issuer's Form 10-Q filed on April 17, 2003. The Shares beneficially owned by each of Steven M. Rales and Mitchell P. Rales include Shares pledged as collateral to secure a loan of Shares to each of them by Capital Yield Corporation.

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SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: April 23, 2003

By: /s/ Steven M. Rales
-----Steven M. Rales

By: /s/ Mitchell P. Rales
----Mitchell P. Rales

EQUITY GROUP HOLDINGS LLC

By: /s/ Michael G. Ryan

Michael G. Ryan, Vice President

EQUITY GROUP HOLDINGS II LLC

By: /s/ Michael G. Ryan

Michael G. Ryan, Vice President

EQUITY GROUP HOLDINGS III LLC

By: /s/ Michael G. Ryan

Michael G. Ryan, Vice President