

EXACT SCIENCES CORP  
Form SC 13G/A  
January 30, 2004

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

**SCHEDULE 13G**

**Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
(Amendment No. 2)\***

**EXACT SCIENCES CORPORATION**

(Name of Issuer)

**Common Stock**

(Title of Class of Securities)

**30063P105**

(CUSIP Number)

**December 31, 2003**

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

- Rule 13d-1(b)
- Rule 13d-1(c)
- Rule 13d-1(d)

\*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 the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

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The information required in 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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CUSIP No. 30063P105

1. Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only)  
Vertical Fund I, L.P.
  
2. Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)
 

(a)	<input type="radio"/>
(b)	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
  
3. SEC Use Only
  
4. Citizenship or Place of Organization  
Delaware
  

	5.		Sole Voting Power
Number of Shares Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person With			608,815
	6.		Shared Voting Power
			0
	7.		Sole Dispositive Power
			608,815
	8.		Shared Dispositive Power
			0

  
9. Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person  
608,815
  
10. Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)
  
11. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)  
3.2%
  
12. Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)  
PN

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1. Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only)  
Vertical Fund II, L.P.

2. Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)

(a)

(b)

3. SEC Use Only

4. Citizenship or Place of Organization  
Delaware

Number of  
Shares  
Beneficially  
Owned by  
Each  
Reporting  
Person With

5. Sole Voting Power  
152,235

6. Shared Voting Power  
0

7. Sole Dispositive Power  
152,235

8. Shared Dispositive Power  
0

9. Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person  
152,235

10. Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)

11. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)  
0.8%

12. Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)  
PN

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1. Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only)  
Stephen D. Baksa
  
  2. Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)  
(a)   
(b)
  
  3. SEC Use Only
  
  4. Citizenship or Place of Organization  
U.S.A.
  

Number of Shares Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person With	5.	Sole Voting Power 0
	6.	Shared Voting Power 761,050
	7.	Sole Dispositive Power 0
	8.	Shared Dispositive Power 761,050

  
  9. Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person  
761,050
  
  10. Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)
  
  11. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)  
4.0%
  
  12. Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)  
IN
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1. Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only)  
John E. Runnells

2. Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)

(a)

(b)

3. SEC Use Only

4. Citizenship or Place of Organization  
U.S.A.

Number of  
Shares  
Beneficially  
Owned by  
Each  
Reporting  
Person With

5. Sole Voting Power  
0

6. Shared Voting Power  
761,050

7. Sole Dispositive Power  
0

8. Shared Dispositive Power  
761,050

9. Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person  
761,050

10. Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)

11. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)  
4.0%

12. Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)  
IN

**Item 1.**

- (a) Name of Issuer  
Exact Sciences Corporation ( EXAS )
- (b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices  
100 Campus Drive  
  
Marlborough, Massachusetts 01752

**Item 2.**

- (a) Name of Person Filing  
Vertical Fund I, L.P. ( VF-I )  
  
Vertical Fund II, L.P. ( VF-II ) (together with VF-I, the Partnerships )  
  
Stephen D. Baksa ( Baksa )
- (b) John E. Runnells ( Runnells ) (together with Baksa, the Individuals )  
Address of Principal Business Office or, if none, Residence  
Each of the Partnerships and each of the Individuals has a principal business  
address at 25 DeForest Avenue, Summit, New Jersey 07901.
- (c) Citizenship  
Each of the Partnerships is a Delaware limited partnership.  
  
Each of the Individuals is a citizen of the United States of America.
- (d) Title of Class of Securities  
Common Stock
- (e) CUSIP Number  
30063P105

**Item 3. If this statement is filed pursuant to §§240.13d-1(b) or 240.13d-2(b) or (c), check whether the person filing is a:**

- (a)  Broker or dealer registered under section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78o).
  - (b)  Bank as defined in section 3(a)(6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).
  - (c)  Insurance company as defined in section 3(a)(19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).
  - (d)  Investment company registered under section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C 80a-8).
  - (e)  An investment adviser in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E);
  - (f)  An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);
  - (g)  A parent holding company or control person in accordance with § 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G);
  - (h)  A savings associations as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813);
  - (i)  A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-3);
  - (j)  Group, in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J).
- None of the above. The statement is filed pursuant to Rule 13d-1(c).

**Item 4. Ownership**

Provide the following information regarding the aggregate number and percentage of the class of securities of the issuer identified in Item 1.

- (a) Amount beneficially owned: 761,050 shares of Common Stock
- (b) Percent of class: 4.0%
- (c) Number of shares as to which the person has:
  - (i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote 761,050
  - (ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote 0



- (iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of 761,050
- (iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of 0

The foregoing amounts of shares and percentage represent the combined holdings of the Partnerships and Individuals as of December 31, 2003. The Partnerships and Individuals are filing this statement jointly to reflect their combined ownership because the sole general partner of each Partnership is The Vertical Group, L.P. ( Group ), a Delaware limited partnership and each of the Individuals is a general partner of the Group. The Partnerships and Individuals may therefore be deemed to constitute a group as such term is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and each of the Individuals may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of the EXAS shares owned by each Partnership.

**Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class**

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following .

**Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person**

Not applicable.

**Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on By the Parent Holding Company or Control Person**

Not applicable.

**Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group**

Not applicable.

**Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group**

Not applicable.

**Item 10. Certification**

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

## 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: January 29, 2004

VERTICAL FUND I, L.P.

By: THE VERTICAL GROUP, L.P.  
General Partner

By: /s/ John E. Runnells  
John E. Runnells  
General Partner.

VERTICAL FUND II, L.P.

By: THE VERTICAL GROUP, L.P.  
General Partner

By: /s/ John E. Runnells  
John E. Runnells  
General Partner.

/s/ Stephen D. Baksa  
Stephen D. Baksa

/s/ John E. Runnells  
John E. Runnells