

COOPER COMPANIES INC  
Form 8-K  
May 22, 2002

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 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): May 21, 2002

THE COOPER COMPANIES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	1-8597	94-2657368
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

6140 Stoneridge Mall Road, Suite 590, Pleasanton, California 94588  
(Address of principal executive offices)

(925) 460-3600  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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ITEM 5. Other Events.

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On May 21, 2002, The Cooper Companies, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release reporting that its CooperSurgical unit had acquired Ackrad Laboratories, Inc. A copy of this release is attached and incorporated by reference.

Internet addresses in the release are for information purposes only and are not intended to be hyperlinks to other Cooper Companies information.

### ITEM 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. -----	Description -----
99.1	Press Release dated May 21, 2002 of The Cooper Companies, Inc.

### 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.

THE COOPER COMPANIES, INC.

By /s/ Stephen C. Whiteford

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Stephen C. Whiteford  
Vice President and  
Corporate Controller  
(Principal Accounting Officer)

Dated: May 22, 2002

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