ORBIMED ADVISORS LLC Form SC 13G November 01, 2001

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

SCHEDULE 13G Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Triangle Pharmaceuticals Inc.
 (Name of Issuer)

Common Stock (Title of Class of Securities)

89589H104 (CUSIP Number)

August 30, 2001

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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

- [x] Rule 13d-1(b)
- [x] Rule 13d-1(c)
- [] Rule 13d-1(d)

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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).

CUSIP No. 8958H104

- Names of Reporting Persons.
 I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only).
 - OrbiMed Advisers Inc.
- 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

5. Sole Voting Power 0

Number of

Shares 6. Shared Voting Power 4,942,000

Beneficially

Owned by 7. Sole Dispositive Power 0

Each Reporting

Person With 8. Shared Dispositive Power 4,942,000

- 9. Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person 4,942,000
- 10. Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)
- 11. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9) 6.43%
- 12. Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions) IA

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Samuel D. Isaly

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United States

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- Item 1. (a) Issuer: Triangle Pharmaceuticals Inc.
 - (b) Address: 4 University Place 4611 University Drive, Durham

North Carolina 27707

- Item 2. (a) Name of Person Filing:
 OrbiMed Advisers Inc.
 OrbiMed Advisors LLC
 Samuel D. Isaly
 - (b) Address of Principal Business Offices:

767 Third Avenue, 6th Floor New York, New York 10010

- (c) Citizenship:
 Please refer to Item 4 on each cover sheet for each filing person
- (d) Title of Class of Securities
 Common stock
- (e) CUSIP Number: 89589H104
- Item 3. Not Applicable
- Item 4. Ownership

Please see Items 5 - 9 and 11 for each cover sheet for each filing separately

- Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class Not Applicable
- Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person.

Reporting persons are holding 6.43% of the securities on behalf of other persons who have the right to receive or the power to direct the receipt of dividends from, or the proceeds from the sale of, such securities.

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

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.

Date: November 1, 2001

OrbiMed Advisers Inc.

By: /s/ Samuel D. Isaly _____

Name: Samuel D. Isaly

Title: President

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and held in the ordinary course of business and 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.

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OrbiMed Advisors LLC

By: /s/ Samuel D. Isaly _____

Name: Samuel D. Isaly Title: Managing Member

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Name: Samuel D. Isaly