

ADELMAN BURT A
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 ADELMAN BURT A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

14 CAMBRIDGE CENTER

(Street)

CAMBRIDGE, MA 02142

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 BIOGEN IDEC INC [BIIB]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 01/03/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)

EVP, Development

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	V	Amount	Price		
Common Stock	01/03/2005		M		20,500	\$ 12.91	59,000	D
Common Stock	01/03/2005		S ⁽¹⁾		5,000	\$ 67.21	54,000	D
Common Stock	01/03/2005		S ⁽¹⁾		5,500	\$ 67.11	48,500	D
Common Stock	01/03/2005		S ⁽¹⁾		10,000	\$ 66.9	38,500	D
Common Stock							12,269	D

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Common Stock 8,009 I by GRATs

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right-to-buy) (2)	\$ 12.91	01/03/2005		M	20,500	(3) 04/18/2006	Common Stock	20,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ADELMAN BURT A 14 CAMBRIDGE CENTER CAMBRIDGE, MA 02142			EVP, Development	

Signatures

By: Benjamin S. Harshbarger For: Burt A. Adelman 01/04/2005

Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(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).
- (1) Sale pursuant to a trading plan intended to comply with Rule 10b5-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
- (2) Granted under one of the Issuer's stock option plans, in an exempt transaction under SEC rule 16-3(d).
- (3) The stock option became exercisable in six (6) equal annual installments, commencing one year after the grant date of 04/18/96.

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