

BIO RAD LABORATORIES INC  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**WADLER SANFORD**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**BIO RAD LABORATORIES INC  
 [BIO, BIO.B]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 VP, General Counsel, Secretary

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**C/O BIO-RAD LABORATORIES, INC., 1000 ALFRED NOBEL DRIVE**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**08/08/2008**

**HERCULES, CA 94547**

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 or Disposed of (A) or (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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Bio-Rad A Common Stock	08/08/2008		M	711 A	\$ 28.61	12,418	D
Bio-Rad A Common Stock	08/08/2008		M	3,587 A	\$ 35.5	16,005	D
Bio-Rad A Common Stock	08/08/2008		M	413 A	\$ 35.5	16,418	D

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Bio-Rad A Common Stock	08/08/2008	M	539	A	\$ 53.75	16,957	D
Bio-Rad A Common Stock	08/08/2008	M	2,820	A	\$ 53.75	19,777	D
Bio-Rad A Common Stock	08/08/2008	M	2,000	A	\$ 62.47	21,777	D
Bio-Rad A Common Stock	08/08/2008	M	600	A	\$ 75.32	22,377	D
Bio-Rad A Common Stock	08/08/2008	M	2,000	A	\$ 57.49	24,377	D
Bio-Rad A Common Stock	08/08/2008	S	15	D	\$ 103.3	24,362	D
Bio-Rad A Common Stock	08/08/2008	S	9,672	D	\$ 103.95	14,690	D
Bio-Rad A Common Stock	08/08/2008	S	2,983	D	\$ 105	11,707	D

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)		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V	(A)	(D)

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Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 28.61	08/08/2008	M	711	02/06/2003	02/06/2012	Bio-Rad A Common Stock	71
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 35.5	08/08/2008	M	3,587	02/05/2004	02/05/2013	Bio-Rad A Common Stock	3,5
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 35.5	08/08/2008	M	413	02/05/2004	02/05/2013	Bio-Rad A Common Stock	41
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 53.75	08/08/2008	M	539	02/04/2005	02/04/2014	Bio-Rad A Common Stock	53
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 53.75	08/08/2008	M	2,820	02/04/2005	02/04/2014	Bio-Rad A Common Stock	2,8
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 62.47	08/08/2008	M	2,000	04/03/2007	04/03/2016	Bio-Rad A Common Stock	2,0
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 75.32	08/08/2008	M	600	08/01/2008	08/01/2017	Bio-Rad A Common Stock	60
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 57.49	08/08/2008	M	2,000	02/09/2006	02/09/2015	Bio-Rad A Common Stock	2,0

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WADLER SANFORD C/O BIO-RAD LABORATORIES, INC. 1000 ALFRED NOBEL DRIVE HERCULES, CA 94547			VP, General Counsel, Secretary	

## Signatures

Sanford Wadler

08/08/2008

\*\*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).

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