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#### FORM 3

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person \* Statement STRYKER CORP [syk] Cattani Luciano (Month/Day/Year) 04/26/2006 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 2725 FAIRFIELD ROAD (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting \_X\_\_ Officer \_Other Person KALAMAZOO, MIÂ 49002 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One Vice President Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership (Instr. 4) Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) D Â Common Stock 30,000 Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a

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

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	· ·		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security		4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
			(Instr. 4)		Price of	Derivative	
	Date Expira Exercisable Date	Expiration	Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative	Security:	
					Security	Direct (D)	
		Date				or Indirect	

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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Common Stock	(1)	09/19/2011	Common Stock	20,000	\$ 26.7	D	Â
Common Stock	(1)	04/28/2012	Common Stock	50,000	\$ 28.53	D	Â
Common Stock	(1)	10/13/2013	Common Stock	50,000	\$ 38.83	D	Â
Common Stock	(1)	03/04/2014	Common Stock	44,000	\$ 45.21	D	Â
Common Stock	(1)	04/21/2015	Common Stock	45,000	\$ 48.27	D	Â
Common Stock	(1)	02/06/2016	Common Stock	65,000	\$ 46.91	D	Â

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Cattani Luciano 2725 FAIRFIELD ROAD KALAMAZOO, MI 49002	Â	Â	Vice President	Â		

## **Signatures**

Luciano Cattani 04/27/2006

\*\*Signature of Date
Reporting Person

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Stock option granted pursuant to the 1998 Stryker Corporation Stock Option Plan, exercisable as to 20% on each of the first five anniversaries of the date of grant.

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