

BONGIORNO THOMAS F

Form 4

February 24, 2005

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BONGIORNO THOMAS F

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC
[DGX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

ONE MALCOLM AVENUE

(Street)

TETERBORO, NJ 07608

(City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/22/2005

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

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

VP&Corporate Controller

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

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock					395 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Common Stock					117 ⁽²⁾	I	401K

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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 97.48	02/22/2005		A	6,667	02/22/2006 02/22/2015	Common Stock	6,667

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
BONGIORNO THOMAS F ONE MALCOLM AVENUE TETERBORO, NJ 07608	VP&Corporate Controller

Signatures

Sirisha
Gummaregula 02/24/2005

__Signature of
Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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Certain of these shares are subject to restrictions on transfer, the possibility of forfeiture and/or certain other terms contained in the
(1) underlying stock agreements and related plan documents. This amount also includes exempt purchases made under the Company's stock purchase plan since the date of the last filing on Form 4.

These underlying shares were acquired on a periodic basis by the trustee of the Company's tax qualified Profit Sharing (401(k)) plan. The
(2) information was obtained from the plan administrator as of a recent date. The number of shares is based on the account balance of the Company stock fund under the plan (which includes some money market instruments) divided by the market price of the Company's stock as of that date.

(3) The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on the anniversary of this grant.

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