

ALEXANDER SUSAN H  
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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 \*  
 ALEXANDER SUSAN H

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 BIOGEN IDEC INC., 133 BOSTON POST ROAD  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 07/27/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 EVP, General Counsel

WESTON, MA 02493

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 (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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	
Common Stock	07/27/2012		M <sup>(1)</sup>	A	\$ 39,320	49,505	D
Common Stock	07/27/2012		M <sup>(1)</sup>	A	\$ 18,750	68,255	D
Common Stock	07/27/2012		S <sup>(1)</sup>	D	\$ 58,070	10,185	D

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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. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 60.56	07/27/2012		M <sup>(1)</sup>	39,320	<sup>(2)</sup> 02/11/2018	Common Stock	39,320
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 49.65	07/27/2012		M <sup>(1)</sup>	18,750	<sup>(3)</sup> 02/24/2019	Common Stock	18,750

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ALEXANDER SUSAN H BIOGEN IDEC INC. 133 BOSTON POST ROAD WESTON, MA 02493			EVP, General Counsel	

## Signatures

Robert A. Licht, Attorney in Fact for Susan H. Alexander  
07/30/2012  
\*\*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) Exercise/sale pursuant to a trading plan intended to comply with Rule 10b5-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

(2) The stock options become exercisable in four (4) equal annual installments, commencing one year after the grant date of 02/12/2008.

(3) The stock options become exercisable in four (4) equal annual installments commencing one year after the grant date of 02/24/09.

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