BISCHOFBERGER NORBERT W

Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

may continue. See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **BISCHOFBERGER NORBERT W** Issuer Symbol GILEAD SCIENCES INC [GILD] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title _ Other (specify 333 LAKESIDE DRIVE 08/17/2005 below) EVP, Research (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting FOSTER CITY, CA 94404 Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	ole I - Non-	Derivative S	Securi	ties Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securitie order Disposed (Instr. 3, 4	d of (E and 5) (A) or))	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)
Common			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price \$			
Stock	08/17/2005		M	13,704	A	7.2969	491,573 <u>(1)</u>	D	
Common Stock	08/17/2005		M	110,000	A	\$ 7.3985	601,573	D	
Common Stock	08/17/2005		S	20,000	D	\$ 42.22	581,573	D	
Common Stock	08/17/2005		S	30,000	D	\$ 42.12	551,573	D	
Common Stock	08/17/2005		S	10,000	D	\$ 42.11	541,573	D	

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Common Stock	08/17/2005	S	50,000	D	\$ 42.1	491,573	D	
Common Stock						800	I	by Daughter
Common Stock						800	I	by Son
Common Stock						92,322	I	by Trust

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	ecu
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	An Nu Sha
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 7.2969	08/17/2005		M	13,704	(2)	07/21/2009	Common Stock	1
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 7.3985	08/17/2005		M	110,000	(3)	01/17/2011	Common Stock	11

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BISCHOFBERGER NORBERT W							

333 LAKESIDE DRIVE FOSTER CITY, CA 94404 EVP, Research

Signatures

/s/ Matthew K. Au as power of attorney for Norbert W.

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08/18/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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) Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month (Table 1, Col. 5) includes 719 shares acquired on 6/30/05 under the Gilead Sciences, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- Options vested 20% on 7/22/2000, the first anniversary date of the grant, and the remaining balance vested quarterly over the next four years. The option was fully vested as of 7/22/04.
- (3) Options vested 20% on 1/18/02, the first anniversary date of the grant, and the remaining balance vests quarterly over the next four years. The option will be fully vested by 1/18/06.

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