

HAYS PAUL RICHARD  
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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 \*  
HAYS PAUL RICHARD

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
SYNBIOTICS CORP [SBIO]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
11011 VIA FRONTERA  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/10/2004

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

SAN DIEGO, CA 92127  
  
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V	Amount	Price	
Common stock	12/10/2004		J <sup>(1)</sup>	10,653	A	\$ 0.176	10,653 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)**

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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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Common stock option	(2)					07/09/2003	12/30/2013	Common Stock	2,000,000
Series C Preferred Stock	(3)					(3)	(3)	Common Stock	778,452 (3)

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HAYS PAUL RICHARD 11011 VIA FRONTERA SAN DIEGO, CA 92127	X		President	

## Signatures

Paul R. Hays, by Keith A. Butler his attorney-in-fact  
 12/13/2004  
 \*\*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).
- Acquired in lieu of cash dividends on Synbiotics Corporation's Series C Preferred Stock as permitted by the Certificate of Determination of the Series C Preferred Stock of Synbiotics Corporation. Mr. Hays received 10,653 shares of Common Stock of Synbiotics Corporation in this distribution.
- (1) The options, which vest quarterly over four (4) years, have exercise prices ranging from \$0.08 per share to \$0.34 per share.
- (2) On September 23, 2004, Mr. Hays purchased 100 shares of Series C Convertible Preferred Stock of Synbiotics Corporation. The shares are convertible into shares of common stock at any time into such number of shares of common stock by dividing each share of Series C Convertible Preferred Stock, valued at \$1,000, by the conversion price - initially set at \$0.12846.
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