

SCHNEIER CRAIG ERIC
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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 *
 SCHNEIER CRAIG ERIC

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)
 14 CAMBRIDGE CENTER

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/03/2005

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

EVP, Human Resources

(Street)

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

CAMBRIDGE, MA 02142

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	01/03/2005		M	3,875 A \$ 37.45	43,125	D	
Common Stock	01/03/2005		S ⁽¹⁾	3,875 D \$ 66.84	39,250	D	
Common Stock					16,301.934 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock					460	I	by Spouse

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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right-to-buy) (3)	\$ 37.45	01/03/2005		M	3,875	(4) 12/06/2012	Common Stock	3,875

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SCHNEIER CRAIG ERIC 14 CAMBRIDGE CENTER CAMBRIDGE, MA 02142			EVP, Human Resources	

Signatures

By: Benjamin S. Harshbarger For: Craig Eric Schneier

01/04/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

- (1) Sale pursuant to a trading plan intended to comply with Rule 10b5-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
- (2) Increase represents the acquisition of common stock under the issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- (3) Granted under one of the Issuer's stock option plans, in an exempt transaction under SEC rule 16(b)-3(d).
- (4) The stock option becomes exercisable in four (4) equal annual installments, commencing one year after the grant date of 12/06/02.

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