

BIOGEN IDEC INC
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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., 14
 CAMBRIDGE CENTER
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 02/14/2006

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

CAMBRIDGE, MA 02142
 (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 (D) Price | | |

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 | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|--|---|
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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------|------------|--|------|---|-----|-----|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
| Stock Option (right-to-buy) (1) | \$ 44.38 | 02/14/2006 | A | 20,000 | | | | | (2) | 02/13/2016 | Common Stock | 20,000 |
| Restricted Stock Units (3) | (3) | 02/14/2006 | A | 8,000 | | | | | (4) | (4) | Common Stock | 8,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|----------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| ALEXANDER SUSAN H BIOGEN IDEC INC. 14 CAMBRIDGE CENTER CAMBRIDGE, MA 02142 | | | EVP, General Counsel | |

Signatures

by: Benjamin S. Harshbarger; for: Susan H.
Alexander

02/16/2006

__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) Granted under one of the Issuer's stock option plans, in an exempt transaction under SEC rule 16(b)-3(d).
- (2) The stock option becomes exercisable in four (4) equal annual installments, commencing one year after the grant date of 02/14/06.
- (3) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of BIIB common stock.
- (4) The restricted stock units become exercisable in three (3) equal annual installments, commencing one year after the grant date of 02/14/06.

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