

GILEAD SCIENCES INC

Form 4

July 29, 2005

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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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Alton Gregg H

(Last) (First) (Middle)

GILEAD SCIENCES, INC., 333
LAKESIDE DRIVE

(Street)

FOSTER CITY, CA 94404

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
GILEAD SCIENCES INC [GILD]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
07/27/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

SVP, General Counsel

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	07/27/2005		M		10,000	A	\$ 8.336
Common Stock	07/27/2005		S		10,000	D	\$ 45

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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.336	07/27/2005		D			10,000	<u>(1)</u>	10/21/2009	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 43.97	07/27/2005		A		50,000		<u>(2)</u>	07/27/2015	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
Alton Gregg H GILEAD SCIENCES, INC. 333 LAKESIDE DRIVE FOSTER CITY, CA 94404	SVP, General Counsel

Signatures

/s/Matthew K. Au by power of attorney for Gregg H.
Alton 07/29/2005

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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

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(1) Options vest 20% on 10/21/2000, first anniversary date of the grant, and the remaining will vest quarterly over the next four years.

(2) Options vest 20% on 7/27/2006, first anniversary date of the grant, and the remaining will vest quarterly over the next four years.

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