

BISCHOFBERGER NORBERT W
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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 *
BISCHOFBERGER NORBERT W

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 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)
 11/29/2004

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	11/29/2004		M	6,000 A \$ 2.8594	421,550 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Common Stock	11/29/2004		M	26,632 A \$ 3.2657	448,182	D	
Common Stock					92,772	I	By Trust
Common Stock					4,000	I	By Son
Common Stock					4,000	I	By Daughter

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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
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 2.8594	11/29/2004		M	6,000	01/23/2003 ⁽²⁾ 07/22/2008	Common Stock	6,000
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3.2657	11/29/2004		M	26,632	07/16/1998 ⁽³⁾ 07/16/2007	Common Stock	26,632

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BISCHOFBERGER NORBERT W 333 LAKESIDE DRIVE FOSTER CITY, CA 94404			SVP, Research	

Signatures

/s/ Norbert W. Bischofberger
11/30/2004
**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).

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- (1) All shares and dollar amounts reflect a two-for-one split effected on September 3, 2004 benefitting all stockholders as of August 12, 2004.
- (2) The option was first exercisable on January 23, 2003, and was fully exercisable by July 23, 2003.
- (3) The option was first exercisable on July 16, 1998, and was fully exercisable by July 16, 2002.

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