#### SYNBIOTICS CORP

Form 4 April 08, 2005

### FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* RUYAN JERRY L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Middle)

(Zip)

SYNBIOTICS CORP [SBIO]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(City)

(First)

(State)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

04/07/2005

Director X\_\_ 10% Owner \_ Other (specify Officer (give title

below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

9468 MONTGOMERY ROAD (Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

CINCINNATI, OH 45242

Table I - Non-Derivative	Committee A coming	d Diamond of a	w Danafiaially Owner	1

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities AdordDisposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and	)	d (A) or	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) 2,212,315	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock							766,483	I (1) (2)	Redwood Holdings, LLC (1) (2)
Common Stock	04/07/2005		C(3)	12,215,907 (3)	A	\$ 0.1285 (3)	12,215,907 (3)	I (3)	Redwood West Coast, LLC (3)

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)		3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	orDeri Secu (A) ( (D)	umber of vative rities Acquired or Disposed of r. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo Num Shar
Series C Preferred Stock		04/07/2005		C		12,215,907	<u>(3)</u>	(3)	Common Stock	12,
Series C Preferre Stock							<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	778
Common Stock Warrant	\$ 0.17						09/23/2004	09/01/2010	Common Stock	25

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
RUYAN JERRY L 9468 MONTGOMERY ROAD CINCINNATI, OH 45242		X					

# **Signatures**

Jerry L. Ruyan, by Keith A. Butler his attorney-in-fact

\*\*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) Acquired pursuant to the election of Redwood West Coast, LLC in lieu of cash dividends on Synbiotics Corporation's Series C Preferred Stock held by Redwood West Coast, LLC, as permitted by the Certificate of Determination of the Series C Preferred Stock of Synbiotics Corporation. As required by its Operating Agreement, Redwood West Coast, LLC directed that the shares of Common Stock be issued directly to its members. Redwood Holdings, LLC received 766,483 shares of Common Stock of Synbiotics Corporation in these

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distributions. Redwood Holdings, LLC is the owner of record of 766,483 shares of Common Stock of Synbiotics Corporation. Mr. Ruyan is a 49.8% owner of Redwood Holdings, LLC, which has sole voting and dispositive power with respect to the shares. Mr. Ruyan disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares reflected above, except to the extent of his direct pecuniary interest in Redwood Holdings, LLC.

Acquired in lieu of cash dividends on Synbiotics Corporation's Series C Preferred Stock held by Redwood Holdings, LLC, as permitted by the Certificate of Determination of the Series C Preferred Stock of Synbiotics Corporation. Redwood Holdings, LLC received 766,483 shares of Common Stock of Synbiotics Corporation in these distributions. Redwood Holdings, LLC is the owner of record of 766,483 shares of Common Stock of Synbiotics Corporation. Mr. Ruyan is a 49.8% owner of Redwood Holdings, LLC, which has sole voting and dispositive power with respect to the shares. Mr. Ruyan disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares reflected above, except to the extent

(3) See Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 4.

of his direct pecuniary interest in Redwood Holdings, LLC.

- On September 23, 2004, Redwood Holdings, LLC purchased 100 shares of Series C Convertible Preferred Stock of Synbiotics Corporation. Redwood Holdings, LLC is the beneficial owner of 100 shares of Series C Convertible Preferred Stock of Synbiotics Corporation. Mr. Ruyan is a 49.8% owner of Redwood Holdings, LLC. In addition, Mr. Ruyan serves on the Management Committee of
- (4) Redwood Holdings, LLC, which has sole voting and dispositive power with respect to the shares. 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. Mr. Ruyan disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares reflected above, except to the extent of his direct pecuniary interest in Redwood West Holdings, LLC.
  - On September 23, 2004, in conjunction with a credit agreement, Remington Capital, LLC received a warrant to purchase 250,000 shares of Common Stock of Synbiotics Corporation with an exercise price of \$0.17 per share. The warrant is exercisable at any time, in whole or
- (5) in part, through September 1, 2010. Remington Capital, LLC is indirectly owned 100% by Redwood Holdings, LLC. Mr. Ruyan is a 49.8% owner of Redwood Holdings, LLC. Mr. Ruyan disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares reflected above, except to the extent of his direct pecuniary interest in Redwood Holdings, LLC.

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