

BISCHOFBERGER NORBERT W
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FORM 4

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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

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 333 LAKESIDE DRIVE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 11/29/2004

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

FOSTER CITY, CA 94404

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

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(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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)
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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