

HOCHBERG ELAINE  
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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 \*  
HOCHBERG ELAINE

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
FOREST LABORATORIES INC  
[FRX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
01/25/2006

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below)  
\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Sr. VP, Marketing

C/O FOREST LABORATORIES, 909 THIRD AVENUE

(Street)

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

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

NEW YORK, NY 10022

(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	01/25/2006		M	23,728 A	\$ 12.086 103,936 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	
Common Stock	01/25/2006		M	52,604 A	\$ 13.1485 156,540 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	
Common Stock	01/25/2006		S	62,828 D	\$ 44 93,712 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	
Common Stock	01/25/2006		S	2,800 D	\$ 44.01 90,912 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	
	01/25/2006		S	1,700 D	\$ 44.02 89,212 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	

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Common  
Stock

Common Stock 01/25/2006 S 400 D \$ 44.03 88,812 <sup>(1)</sup> D

Common Stock 01/25/2006 S 1,000 D \$ 44.05 87,812 <sup>(1)</sup> D

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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 12.086	01/25/2006		M	23,728	12/18/1998	12/18/2008	Common Stock	23,728
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 13.1485	01/25/2006		M	52,604	12/17/1999	12/17/2009	Common Stock	52,604

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HOCHBERG ELAINE  
C/O FOREST LABORATORIES  
909 THIRD AVENUE  
NEW YORK, NY 10022

Sr. VP, Marketing

## Signatures

Elaine Hochberg

01/26/2006

\*\*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) The reporting person beneficially owns 785,208 shares which includes options to purchase 697,396 shares.

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