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

> > SCHEDULE 13D (Amendment No. 5)

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

SYNOPSYS, INC.

(Name of Issuer)

COMMON STOCK, PAR VALUE \$0.01 \_\_\_\_\_\_

(Title of Class of Securities)

871607107

(CUSIP Number)

Marc T. Scholvinck Blum Capital Partners, L.P. 909 Montgomery Street, Suite 400 San Francisco, CA 94133 (415) 434-1111

\_\_\_\_\_ (Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

February 27, 2004

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition which is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this schedule because of Rule 13d-1(b)(3) or (4), check the following box [].

\*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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94-3205364

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# Item 1. Security and Issuer

This Amendment No. 5 amends the Statement on Schedule 13D (the "Schedule 13D") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") on September 2, 2003 by Blum Capital Partners, L.P., a California limited partnership, ("Blum L.P."); Richard C. Blum & Associates, Inc., a California corporation ("RCBA Inc."); Blum Strategic GP, L.L.C., a Delaware limited liability company ("Blum GP"); Blum Strategic GP II, L.L.C., a Delaware limited liability company ("Blum GP II"); and Richard C. Blum, the Chairman and a substantial shareholder of RCBA Inc. and a managing member of Blum GP and Blum GP II (collectively, the "Reporting Persons"). This amendment relates to shares of Common Stock, \$0.01 par value (the "Common Stock") of Synopsys, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Issuer"). The principal executive office and mailing address of the Issuer is 700 East Middlefield Road, Mountain View, California 94043. The following amendments to the Schedule 13D are hereby made. Unless otherwise defined herein, all capitalized terms shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Schedule 13D.

## Item 2. Identity and Background

Item 2 of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended as follows:

Since the filing of Amendment No. 4 to Schedule 13D, there have been changes to the executive officers and directors of Blum L.P. and RCBA Inc.

The principal business office address of Blum L.P. and RCBA Inc. is 909 Montgomery Street, Suite 400, San Francisco, California 94133. The names of the executive officers and directors of Blum L.P. and RCBA Inc., their addresses, citizenship and principal occupations are as follows:

Name and Office Held	Business Address		Principal Occupation or Employment
Richard C. Blum President & Chairman	909 Montgomery Suite 400 San Francisco,	USA	President & Chairman, Blum L.P.
Nils Colin Lind Managing Partner & Director	909 Montgomery Suite 400 San Francisco,	Norway	Managing Partner, Blum L.P.
John C. Walker Partner	909 Montgomery Suite 400 San Francisco,	USA	Partner, Blum L.P.
Jose S. Medeiros Partner	909 Montgomery Suite 400 San Francisco,	Brazil	Partner, Blum L.P.

Kerry L. Nelson	909 Montgomery St. USA	Partner,
Partner	Suite 400	Blum L.P.
	San Francisco, CA 94133	

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Name and Office Held			Principal Occupation or Employment
Gregory L. Jackson Partner	909 Montgomery St. Suite 400 San Francisco, CA 94133	USA	Partner Blum L.P.
Jeffrey A. Cozad Partner	909 Montgomery St. Suite 400 San Francisco, CA 94133	USA	Partner, Blum L.P.
Partner, Chief	909 Montgomery St. Suite 400 San Francisco, CA 94133	USA	Partner & Chief Financial Officer, Blum L.P.

Since the filing of Amendment No. 4 to Schedule 13D, there have been changes to the managing members and members of Blum  ${\tt GP}$ .

The principal business office address of Blum GP is 909 Montgomery Street, Suite 400, San Francisco, CA 94133. The names of the managing members and members of Blum GP, their addresses, citizenship and principal occupations are as follows:

Name and Office Held	Business Address			Principal Occupation or Employment
				President & Chairman, Blum L.P.
Nils Colin Lind Managing Member			Norway	
John C. Walker Member	909 Montgomery Suite 400 San Francisco,		USA	Partner, Blum L.P.
Jose S. Medeiros Member	909 Montgomery Suite 400 San Francisco,		Brazil	Partner, Blum L.P.
Kerry L. Nelson Member	909 Montgomery Suite 400 San Francisco,		USA	Partner, Blum L.P.
Jeffrey A. Cozad	909 Montgomery	St.	USA	Partner,

Member	Suite 400 San Francisco, CA 94133		Blum L.P.
Marc T. Scholvinck Member	909 Montgomery St. Suite 400 San Francisco, CA 94133	USA	Partner & Chief Financial Officer, Blum L.P.
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Since the filing of Amendment No. 4 to Schedule 13D, there have been changes to the managing members and members of Blum  ${\tt GP}$  II.

Blum GP II is a Delaware limited liability company whose principal business is acting as the sole general partner of Blum Strategic Partners II, L.P. and also as managing limited partner of Blum Strategic Partners II GmbH & Co. KG.

The principal business office address of Blum GP II is 909 Montgomery Street, Suite 400, San Francisco, CA 94133. The names of the managing members and members of Blum GP II, their addresses, citizenship and principal occupations are as follows:

Name and Office Held	Business Address		Principal Occupation or Employment
Richard C. Blum Managing Member	909 Montgomery Suite 400 San Francisco,	USA	President & Chairman, Blum L.P.
Nils Colin Lind Managing Member	909 Montgomery Suite 400 San Francisco,	Norway	Managing Partner, Blum L.P.
John C. Walker Managing Member	909 Montgomery Suite 400 San Francisco,	USA	Partner, Blum L.P.
Jose S. Medeiros Managing Member	909 Montgomery Suite 400 San Francisco,	Brazil	Partner, Blum L.P.
Kerry L. Nelson Member	909 Montgomery Suite 400 San Francisco,	USA	Partner, Blum L.P.
Gregory L. Jackson Member	909 Montgomery Suite 400 San Francisco,	USA	Partner, Blum L.P.
Jeffrey A. Cozad Managing Member	909 Montgomery Suite 400 San Francisco,	USA	Partner, Blum L.P.
Marc T. Scholvinck Managing Member	909 Montgomery Suite 400 San Francisco,	USA	Partner & Chief Financial Officer, Blum L.P.

To the best knowledge of the Reporting Persons, none of the entities or

persons identified in this Item 2 has, during the past five years, been convicted of any criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations or similar misdemeanors), nor been a party to a civil proceeding of a judicial or

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administrative body of competent jurisdiction and as a result of such proceeding was or is subject to a judgment, decree or final order enjoining future violations of, or prohibiting or mandating activities subject to, federal or state securities laws or finding any violation with respect to such laws.

# Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer

Item 5 is hereby amended as follows: (a), (b) According to the Issuer's most recent Form 10-K, there were 156,562,816 shares of Common Stock issued and outstanding as of January 2, 2004. Based on such information, after taking into account the transactions described in Item 5(c) below, the Reporting Persons report beneficial ownership of the following shares of Common Stock:(i) 2,854,538 shares of Common Stock held by Blum L.P. and RCBA Inc. on behalf of the limited partnerships for which Blum L.P. serves as the general partner, or on behalf of an entity for which Blum L.P. serves as investment advisor, which represents 1.8% of the outstanding shares of the Common Stock; (ii) 2,318,400 shares of Common Stock held by Blum GP on behalf of the limited partnership for which it serves as the general partner, which represents 1.5% of the outstanding shares of the Common Stock; (iii) 2,636,600 shares of the Common Stock held by Blum GP II on behalf of the limited partnership for which it serves as the general partner and on behalf of the limited partnership for which it serves as the managing limited partner, which represents 1.7% of the outstanding shares of the Common Stock; and (iv) 50,800 shares of the Common Stock that are legally owned by The Nuclear Decommissioning Trust of Dominion Nuclear Connecticut, Inc. ("Dominion Connecticut") and 50,800 shares of the Common Stock that are legally owned by Virginia Electric and Power Company Qualified Nuclear Decommissioning Trust ("Virginia Electric") (collectively, the "Investment Advisory Clients"), with respect to which Blum L.P. has voting and investment power. Each Investment Advisory Client has entered into an advisory agreement with Blum L.P., but neither Investment Advisory Client has any contract, arrangement or understanding with the other Investment Advisory Client, or any other Reporting Person, with respect to the acquisition, ownership, disposition or voting of any shares of the Common Stock. Each Investment Advisory Client disclaims membership in a group with any Reporting Person or with the other Investment Advisory Client, and each disclaims beneficial ownership of any shares beneficially owned by the Reporting Persons other than for their own account.

Voting and investment power concerning the above shares are held solely by Blum L.P., Blum GP and Blum GP II. The Reporting Persons therefore may be deemed to be members in a group, in which case the group would be deemed to have beneficial ownership of an aggregate of 7,911,138 shares of the Common Stock, which is 5.1% of the outstanding Common Stock. As the sole general partner of Blum L.P., RCBA Inc. is deemed the beneficial owner of the securities over which Blum L.P. has voting and investment power. As Chairman, director and a substantial shareholder of RCBA Inc., Richard C. Blum might be deemed to be the beneficial owner of the securities beneficially owned by RCBA Inc. Additionally, Mr. Blum may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of the securities over which Blum GP and Blum GP II has voting and investment power.

Although Mr. Blum is joining in this Schedule as a Reporting Person, the

filing of this Schedule shall not be construed as an admission that he, or any of the other shareholders, directors or executive officers of RCBA Inc., managing members and members of Blum GP and Blum GP II, is, for any purpose,

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the beneficial owner of any of the securities that are beneficially owned by RCBA Inc., Blum GP, or Blum GP II.

c) During the last 60 days, the Reporting Persons purchased the following shares of Common Stock in the open market:

Entity	Trade Date	Shares	Price/Share
Investment partnerships for which Blum L.P. serves as the general partner and on behalf of an entity for which Blum L.P. serves as investment advisor.	02-24-04 02-25-04 02-27-04 03-01-04 03-03-04	122,500 26,000	29.5063 29.7250 29.7117 29.5580
Entity	Trade Date	Shares	Price/Share
The limited partnerships for which Blum GP II serves as the general partner and the managing limited partner.	02-24-04 02-25-04 02-27-04 03-01-04 03-01-04 03-03-04	151,400 32,000 71,700 303	29.5063 29.7250 29.7117 29.5579 29.5580
Entity	Trade Date	Shares	Price/Share
The Investment Advisory Clients for which Blum L.P. serves as investment advisor.	02-24-04 02-25-04 02-27-04 03-01-04 03-03-04	6,000 14,000 2,800	29.7250 29.7117 29.5580

In addition, on February 2, 2004 one of the limited partnerships for which Blum L.P. serves as the general partner distributed 210,000 shares of Common Stock to a limited partner in connection with the withdrawal of the limited partner from the limited partnership, and transferred 338 shares of Common Stock to Blum L.P.

(d) and (e) Not applicable.

Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer

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None of the Reporting Persons or, to the best knowledge of the Reporting Persons, the other persons named in Item 2, is a party to any contract, arrangement, understanding or relationship with respect to any securities of the Issuer, including but not limited to the transfer or voting of any securities of the Issuer, finder's fees, joint ventures, loan or option arrangements, puts or calls, guarantees of profits, division of profits or loss, or the giving or withholding of proxies, except (i) as previously disclosed, or (ii) as noted above, Blum L.P. has voting and investment power of the shares held by it for the benefit of The Investment Advisory Clients.

Item 7. Material to be Filed as Exhibits

Exhibit A Joint Filing Undertaking.

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SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of our knowledge and belief, the undersigned certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: March 8, 2004

RICHARD C. BLUM & ASSOCIATES, INC. BLUM CAPITAL PARTNERS, L.P.

By: Richard C. Blum & Associates, Inc.

its general partner

By: /s/ Marc T. Scholvinck

By: /s/ Marc T. Scholvinck

Marc T. Scholvinck

Partner, Chief Financial Officer, and Assistant Secretary and Assistant Secretary

Marc T. Scholvinck

BLUM STRATEGIC GP, L.L.C.

By: /s/ Marc T. Scholvinck

Marc T. Scholvinck, Member

BLUM STRATEGIC GP II, L.L.C.

By: /s/ Marc T. Scholvinck

Marc T. Scholvinck, Managing Member

RICHARD C. BLUM

/s/ Marc T. Scholvinck

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By: Marc T. Scholvinck, Attorney-in-Fact

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Exhibit A JOINT FILING UNDERTAKING

The undersigned, being duly authorized thereunto, hereby execute this agreement as an exhibit to this Schedule 13D to evidence the agreement of the below-named parties, in accordance with the rules promulgated pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, to file this Schedule jointly on behalf of each such party.

Dated: March 8, 2004

RICHARD C. BLUM & ASSOCIATES, INC. BLUM CAPITAL PARTNERS, L.P.

By: Richard C. Blum & Associates, Inc.

its general partner

By: /s/ Marc T. Scholvinck
By: /s/ Marc T. Scholvinck

Marc T. Scholvinck

Partner, Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary and Assistant Secretary

Marc T. Scholvinck

BLUM STRATEGIC GP, L.L.C.

By: /s/ Marc T. Scholvinck

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Marc T. Scholvinck, Member

BLUM STRATEGIC GP II, L.L.C.

By: /s/ Marc T. Scholvinck

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Marc T. Scholvinck, Managing Member

RICHARD C. BLUM

/s/ Marc T. Scholvinck

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By: Marc T. Scholvinck, Attorney-in-Fact