

Gilman Michael  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Gilman Michael

(Last) (First) (Middle)

14 CAMBRIDGE CENTER

(Street)

CAMBRIDGE, MA 02142

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
BIOGEN IDEC INC [BIIB]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/09/2004

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_X\_\_ Officer (give title \_\_\_\_ Other (specify  
below) below)

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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
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Person

**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	12/09/2004		M		7,500	A	\$ 44.54
Common Stock	12/09/2004		S <sup>(1)</sup>		7,500	D	\$ 65
Common Stock	12/09/2004		M		7,763	A	\$ 37.45
Common Stock	12/09/2004		S <sup>(1)</sup>		7,763	D	\$ 65
Common Stock							13,176.3147

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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
Stock Option (right-to-buy) (2)	\$ 44.54	12/09/2004		M	7,500	(3) 05/17/2009	Common Stock	7,500
Stock Option (right-to-buy) (2)	\$ 37.45	12/09/2004		M	7,763	(4) 12/06/2012	Common Stock	7,763

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
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## Signatures

By: Benjamin S. Harshbarger; For: Michael  
Gilman 12/13/2004

\*\*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).

(1) Sale pursuant to a trading plan intended to comply with Rule 10b5-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

(2) Granted under one of the Issuer's stock option plans, in an exempt transaction under SEC rule 16(b)-3(d).

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- (3) The stock option became exercisable in five (5) equal annual installments, commencing one year after the grant date of 05/17/99.
- (4) The stock option becomes exercisable in four (4) equal annual installments, commencing one year after the grant date of 12/06/02.

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