BIOGEN IDEC INC

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **WIGGINS MARK C** Issuer Symbol **BIOGEN IDEC INC [BIIB]** (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title) _ Other (specify 14 CAMBRIDGE CENTER 12/15/2004 below) **EVP** - Business Development (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting CAMBRIDGE, MA 02142 Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivativ	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y 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)				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	or	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	12/15/2004		M	5,372	A	\$ 35.2083	73,628	D	
Common Stock	12/15/2004		F	2,913	D	\$ 64.91	12,276.773	I	by Trust
Common Stock	12/15/2004		M	3,632	A	\$ 5.5833	0	D	
Common Stock	12/15/2004		F	312	D	\$ 64.91	15,596.773	I	by Trust
Common Stock							19,158	D	

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number out Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	erivative Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) uired or osed of r. 3, 4,		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right-to-buy)	\$ 35.2083	12/15/2004		M	5,372	(2)	01/12/2010	Common Stock	5,372
Stock Option (right-to-buy)	\$ 5.5833	12/15/2004		M	3,632	<u>(3)</u>	05/11/2008	Common Stock	3,632

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
noporomg o macrimum (radia cos	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
WIGGINS MARK C 14 CAMBRIDGE CENTER CAMBRIDGE, MA 02142			EVP - Business Development					

Signatures

By: Benjamin S. Harshbarger; For: Mark C.
Wiggins
12/17/2004

**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) Granted under one of the Issuer's stock option plans, in an exempt transaction under SEC rule 16(b)-3(d).
- Option became exercisable for the optioned shares in a series of 48 successive equal monthly installments upon the completion of each calendar month of service during the 4-year period from January 1, 2000 to December 31, 2003.

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Option became exercisable as to 25% of the optioned shares on 5/11/1999 and as to the balance of the shares in 36 equal monthly installments thereafter.

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