

Herrera Malaga Adolfo
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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 *
 Herrera Malaga Adolfo

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 BENTLEY PHARMACEUTICALS INC [BNT]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 BENTLEY PARK, 2 HOLLAND WAY
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 05/23/2006

____ Director
 ____ Officer (give title below) 10% Owner
 ____ Other (specify below)
 Managing Director European Ops

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Code V Amount (D) Price		
Common Stock, \$.02 par value					17,500	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)

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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
Right to purchase	\$ 11.775	05/23/2006		A	43,300	(1) 05/23/2016		Common Stock, \$.02 par value	43,300
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	05/23/2006		A	8,500	(3) 05/23/2016		Common Stock, \$.02 par value	8,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Herrera Malaga Adolfo
BENTLEY PARK
2 HOLLAND WAY
EXETER, NH 03833

Managing Director European Ops

Signatures

Adolfo Herrera
Malaga 05/23/2006

**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) Options were granted under terms of the Company's Amended and Restated 2005 Equity and Incentive Plan. Grant becomes exercisable in three equal installments on 5/23/2007, 5/23/2008 and 5/23/2009.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Bentley Pharmaceuticals, Inc. Common Stock, \$.02 par value.
- (3) Restricted stock units were granted under the terms of the Company's Amended and Restated 2005 Equity and Incentive Plan. Units vest, and will be issued to the reporting person, in four equal installments on 5/23/2007, 5/23/2008, 5/23/2009 and 5/23/2010.

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