

Speights David R
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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 *
 Speights David R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ATRIX LABORATORIES INC
 [ATRX]

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 2579 MIDPOINT DRIVE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 11/19/2004

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Controller

FORT COLLINS, CO 80525
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

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

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 | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. D |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|--|---|------|
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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
|-----------------|------------------------------------|------------------|------------|--|------|---|--------|-----|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
| Stock Option | \$ 30.87 | 11/19/2004 | | D | | | 15,000 | | <u>(1)</u> | 04/29/2014 | Common Stock | 15,000 |
| Stock Option | \$ 30.87 | 11/19/2004 | | D | | | 10,000 | | <u>(2)</u> | 06/16/2014 | Common Stock | 10,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Speights David R 2579 MIDPOINT DRIVE FORT COLLINS, CO 80525 | | | Controller | |

Signatures

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| Sarah Watson, Attorney-in-Fact for David R. Speights | 11/23/2004 |
| **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) This option, which provided for vesting in three equal annual installments beginning on April 29, 2005, was assumed by QLT Inc. in the merger and replaced with a fully vested option to purchase 28,560 shares of QLT Inc. common stock for \$16.22 per share.
- (2) This option, which provided for vesting in three equal annual installments beginning on June 16, 2005, was assumed by QLT Inc. in the merger and replaced with a fully vested option to purchase 19,040 shares of QLT Inc. common stock for \$17.26 per share.

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