

GILEAD SCIENCES INC
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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 *
DENNY JAMES M

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 333 LAKESIDE DRIVE
 (Street)

FOSTER CITY, CA 94404

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
GILEAD SCIENCES INC [GILD]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
04/21/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	V	Amount	Price		
Common Stock	04/21/2008		M		120,000	\$ 3.6993	297,800	D
Common Stock	04/21/2008		S		465	\$ 51.99	297,335	D
Common Stock	04/21/2008		S		88,927	\$ 52	208,408	D
Common Stock	04/21/2008		S		4,175	\$ 52.01	204,233	D
Common Stock	04/21/2008		S		2,433	\$ 52.02	201,800	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. 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount
Non-qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3.6993	04/21/2008		M	120,000	<u>(1)</u> 01/17/2011	Common Stock	120,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DENNY JAMES M 333 LAKESIDE DRIVE FOSTER CITY, CA 94404		X		

Signatures

/s/ Matthew Au, by Power of Attorney for James M. Denny
04/23/2008

__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 vested in quarterly installments beginning January 18, 2001 and were fully vested on January 18, 2006.

Remarks:

All transactions reported in this Form 4 are made pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan established by Mr. Denny on July 30, 2006.
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