

KACIAN DANIEL L  
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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 \*  
 KACIAN DANIEL L

(Last) (First) (Middle)

GEN-PROBE  
 INCORPORATED, 10210  
 GENETIC CENTER DRIVE

(Street)

SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 GEN PROBE INC [GPRO]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 04/08/2005

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)  
 Exec. VP, Chief Scientist

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	04/08/2005		M		20,978	A	\$ 12.29
Common Stock	04/08/2005		S <sup>(1)</sup>		1,200	D	\$ 50.15
Common Stock	04/08/2005		S <sup>(1)</sup>		100	D	\$ 50.14
Common Stock	04/08/2005		S <sup>(1)</sup>		200	D	\$ 50.13
Common Stock	04/08/2005		S <sup>(1)</sup>		500	D	\$ 50.12

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Common Stock	04/08/2005	S <sup>(1)</sup>	500	D	\$ 50.08	18,478 <sup>(2)</sup>	D
Common Stock	04/08/2005	S <sup>(1)</sup>	100	D	\$ 50.07	18,378 <sup>(2)</sup>	D
Common Stock	04/08/2005	S <sup>(1)</sup>	100	D	\$ 50.06	18,278 <sup>(2)</sup>	D
Common Stock	04/08/2005	S <sup>(1)</sup>	300	D	\$ 50.05	17,978 <sup>(2)</sup>	D
Common Stock	04/08/2005	S <sup>(1)</sup>	100	D	\$ 50.04	17,878 <sup>(2)</sup>	D
Common Stock	04/08/2005	S <sup>(1)</sup>	16,900	D	\$ 50	978 <sup>(2)</sup>	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)

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	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 12.29	04/08/2005		M	15,694	<sup>(3)</sup> 09/01/2011	Common Stock	15,694	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 12.29	04/08/2005		M	4,306	<sup>(5)</sup> 06/01/2012	Common Stock	4,306	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
KACIAN DANIEL L GEN-PROBE INCORPORATED 10210 GENETIC CENTER DRIVE SAN DIEGO, CA 92121			Exec. VP, Chief Scientist	

## Signatures

/s/ R. William Bowen,  
Attorney-in-Fact

04/12/2005

\_\_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) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on March 10, 2005.
- (2) Includes 978 shares acquired under the Gen-Probe Incorporated Employee Stock Purchase Plan from 6/20/03 through 12/31/04.
- (3) Option vests as follows: 25% vest on 9/1/02; 1/48th vesting monthly following three years.
- (4) On September 5, 2003, the Issuer declared a 100% stock dividend, payable to all record holders of the Issuer's common stock on September 16, 2003. The dividend shares were issued on September 30, 2003.
- (5) Option vests as follows: 25% vest on 6/1/03; 1/48th vesting monthly following three years.

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