

ALEXANDER SUSAN H

Form 4

February 27, 2012

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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See Instruction  
1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
ALEXANDER SUSAN H

(Last) (First) (Middle)

BIOGEN IDEC INC., 133 BOSTON  
POST ROAD

(Street)

WESTON, MA 02493

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
BIOGEN IDEC INC. [BIIB]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/23/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

EVP, General Counsel

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_X\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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Person

**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)
Common Stock	02/23/2012		M	3,822 A	\$ 0 20,599	D	
Common Stock	02/23/2012		F	1,413 D	\$ 116.7 19,186	D	
Common Stock	02/24/2012		S <sup>(1)</sup>	1,739 D	\$ 115.53 17,447	D	
Common Stock	02/24/2012		S <sup>(1)</sup>	406 D	\$ 115.53 17,041	D	
Common Stock	02/24/2012		F	1,294 D	\$ 116.39 15,747	D	

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Common Stock      02/24/2012      F      1,307      D      \$ 116.39      14,440      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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Unit	\$ 0 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/23/2012		M	3,822	<sup>(3)</sup> 02/23/2014	Common Stock	3,822

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

ALEXANDER SUSAN H  
BIOGEN IDEC INC.  
133 BOSTON POST ROAD  
WESTON, MA 02493

EVP, General Counsel

## Signatures

Aras Lapinskas, Attorney in Fact for Susan H.  
Alexander

02/27/2012

\_\_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) Sale pursuant to a trading plan intended to comply with Rule 10b5-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

(2) There is no conversion or exercise price for this stock unit.

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The number of RSUs reported represents the maximum possible number of shares that are eligible for vesting, which is 150% of the number of shares at target payout. One-fourth of these RSUs are eligible to vest on each of the first four anniversaries of the grant date.

- (3) The actual number of shares that will vest on each vesting date will be determined by comparing the price of Biogen Idec common stock on such vesting date to the price on the grant date (i.e., number of vested shares = number of shares at target payout times [the average 60 calendar-day closing stock price ending on the vesting date divided by the average 60 calendar-day closing stock price on the grant date]).

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