BIOGEN IDEC INC
Form 4
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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
WIGGINS MARK C

(Last) (First) (Middle)

14 CAMBRIDGE CENTER

(Street)

CAMBRIDGE, MA 02142

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/15/2004

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 - Business Development

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting 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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	12/15/2004		M		5,372	A	$ 35.2083	73,628	D	
Common Stock	12/15/2004		F		2,913	D	$ 64.91	12,276.773	I	by Trust
Common Stock	12/15/2004		M		3,632	A	$ 5.5833	0	D	
Common Stock	12/15/2004		F		312	D	$ 64.91	15,596.773	I	by Trust
Common Stock								19,158	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)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right-to-buy) (1)	$ 35.2083	12/15/2004		M		5,372		(2)	01/12/2010	Common Stock	5,372
Stock Option (right-to-buy) (1)	$ 5.5833	12/15/2004		M		3,632		(3)	05/11/2008	Common Stock	3,632

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WIGGINS MARK C 14 CAMBRIDGE CENTER CAMBRIDGE, MA 02142			EVP - Business Development	

Signatures

By: Benjamin S. Harshbarger; For: Mark C. Wiggins	12/17/2004
**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) Granted under one of the Issuer's stock option plans, in an exempt transaction under SEC rule 16(b)-3(d).

(2) Option became exercisable for the optioned shares in a series of 48 successive equal monthly installments upon the completion of each calendar month of service during the 4-year period from January 1, 2000 to December 31, 2003.

(3) Option became exercisable as to 25% of the optioned shares on 5/11/1999 and as to the balance of the shares in 36 equal monthly installments thereafter.

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