

Alton Gregg H
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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 *
Alton Gregg H

(Last) (First) (Middle)
GILEAD SCIENCES, INC., 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)
04/19/2012

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)
EVP, Corp & Med Affairs

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	04/19/2012		M		31,875	\$ 17.4975	73,932	D
Common Stock	04/19/2012		M		39,526	\$ 17.675	113,458	D
Common Stock	04/19/2012		M		6,599	\$ 19.36	120,057	D
Common Stock	04/19/2012		S		78,000	\$ 53.9794	42,057	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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.4975	04/19/2012		M ⁽¹⁾	31,875	⁽²⁾ 07/29/2013	Common Stock	31,875
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.675	04/19/2012		M ⁽¹⁾	39,526	⁽²⁾ 11/02/2014	Common Stock	39,526
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 19.36	04/19/2012		M ⁽¹⁾	6,599	⁽²⁾ 05/09/2015	Common Stock	6,599

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Alton Gregg H GILEAD SCIENCES, INC. 333 LAKESIDE DRIVE FOSTER CITY, CA 94404			EVP, Corp & Med Affairs	

Signatures

/s/ John F. Milligan as Power of Attorney for Gregg H.
Alton

04/23/2012

**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) Pursuant to a Rule 105b-1 trading plan established by Mr. Alton on February 7, 2012.

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- (2) The options have a five year vesting schedule. 20% vest on the first anniversary of the date of grant. The balance will vest 5% quarterly thereafter until fully vested.
- (3) Sale prices reported for the transactions reported here range from \$53.71 to \$54.50. Full information regarding the number of shares purchased or sold at each separate price will be provided to the SEC, the issuer or its shareowners upon request.

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