

BIO RAD LABORATORIES INC  
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**FORM 4**

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 STARK JAMES R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 BIO RAD LABORATORIES INC  
 [BIO]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 1000 ALFRED NOBEL DRIVE  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 05/13/2005

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

HERCULES, CA 94547

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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	(D)	Price
Bio-Rad A Common Stock	05/13/2005		S		5,210	D	\$ 52.127
					5,790	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)**

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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. Pr Deriv Secur (Inst	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 10.75					09/19/2001	09/19/2010	Bio-Rad A Common Stock	6,500
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 11.57					02/11/1999	02/11/2008	Bio-Rad A Common Stock	3,000
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 11.94					02/02/2001	02/02/2010	Bio-Rad A Common Stock	2,500
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 28.61					02/06/2003	02/06/2012	Bio-Rad A Common Stock	3,000
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 35.5					02/05/2004	02/05/2013	Bio-Rad A Common Stock	2,000
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 53.75					02/04/2005	02/04/2014	Bio-Rad A Common Stock	2,300
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 57.49					02/09/2006	02/09/2015	Bio-Rad A Common	1,500

(right to  
buy)

Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
STARK JAMES R 1000 ALFRED NOBEL DRIVE HERCULES, CA 94547			Controller	

## Signatures

James R Stark                      05/13/2005

\*\*Signature of  
Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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