

Barron Hal
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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 *
Barron Hal

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 1 DNA WAY
 (Street)

SO SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
GENENTECH INC [DNA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 03/26/2009

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)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock | 03/26/2009 | | D | (A) or (D) 1,740 | \$ 95 (1) 0 | 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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 14.28 | 03/26/2009 | | D | 23,458 (2) | 09/12/2002 ⁽³⁾ | 09/12/2012 | Common Stock |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 18.88 | 03/26/2009 | | D | 5,625 (2) | 04/11/2002 ⁽³⁾ | 04/11/2012 | Common Stock |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 20.9 | 03/26/2009 | | D | 2,917 (2) | 09/26/2001 ⁽³⁾ | 09/26/2011 | Common Stock |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 42.05 | 03/26/2009 | | D | 100,000 (2) | 09/11/2003 ⁽³⁾ | 09/11/2013 | Common Stock |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 53.23 | 03/26/2009 | | D | 95,000 (2) | 09/23/2004 ⁽³⁾ | 09/23/2014 | Common Stock |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 79.17 | 03/26/2009 | | D | 72,000 (2) | 09/20/2007 ⁽³⁾ | 09/20/2016 | Common Stock |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 79.55 | 03/26/2009 | | D | 57,000 (2) | 09/20/2008 ⁽³⁾ | 09/20/2017 | Common Stock |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 85.83 | 03/26/2009 | | D | 75,000 (2) | 09/23/2005 ⁽³⁾ | 09/23/2015 | Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Barron Hal 1 DNA WAY SO SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080 | | | SVP - DEVELOPMENT & CMO | |

Signatures

By: ADAM B. LAUTNER For: HAL
BARRON

03/30/2009

__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) Disposed of pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger between the issuer, Roche Holdings Inc. and Roche Investments USA dated March 12, 2009.
 - (2) At the effective time of the merger, this option vested in full and was cancelled in exchange for a cash amount equal to the net value of the exercise price and the merger consideration.
 - (3) At the effective time of the merger, this option vested in full and was cancelled in exchange for a cash amount equal to the net value of the exercise price and the merger consideration.
 - (4) At the effective time of the merger, this option vested in full and was cancelled in exchange for a cash amount equal to the net value of the exercise price and the merger consideration.

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