GILEAD SCIENCES INC Form 8-K January 25, 2011

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported):	January 25, 2011
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Gilead Sciences, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	0-19/31	94-3047598
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
333 Lakeside Drive, Foster City, California		94404
(Address of principal executive offices)		(Zip Code)
Registrant s telephone number, including	area code:	650-574-3000
	Not Applicable	
Former nar	me or former address, if changed since la	ast report
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On January 25, 2011, Gilead Sciences, Inc. (Gilead) announced that Gilead's Board of Directors (the Board) has authorized the repurchase of up to \$5.0 billion of Gilead's common stock through open market and private block transactions pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 plans or privately negotiated purchases or other means, including accelerated stock repurchase transactions or similar arrangements. This repurchase plan will commence on the date that the \$5.0 billion stock repurchase program authorized by the Board in May 2010 is completed and end on the third anniversary thereafter.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Gilead Sciences, Inc.

January 25, 2011 By: /s/Robin L. Washington

Name: Robin L. Washington

Title: Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer