GOLDWASSER DAN L

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * GOLDWASSER DAN L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

FOREST LABORATORIES INC

(Check all applicable)

[FRX]

(Middle)

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

01/25/2005

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

C/O FOREST

(Last)

LABORATORIES, 909 THIRD **AVENUE**

(Street)

(First)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

NEW YORK, NY 10022

(City) (State) (Zip)

01/25/2005

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

3. Transactionr Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of Owned

Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Direct (D) **Following** or Indirect Reported

7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A)

or (D) Price Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount 65,455 (1) D M 16,000 5 3985

Common Stock

Common

21,680

Ι **Spouse**

Stock

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 orDerivative 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	O)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 5.3985	01/25/2005		M	16,0	000	08/14/1995	08/14/2005	Common Stock	16,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

GOLDWASSER DAN L C/O FOREST LABORATORIES 909 THIRD AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10022



Signatures

Dan L

Goldwasser 01/26/2005

**Signature of Person Date

Reporting Person

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) The reporting person beneficially owns 135,455 which includes options to purchase 70,000 shares.

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