**CHIRON CORP** Form 4 April 19, 2006

### FORM 4

#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** 

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* **BRYSON VAUGHN D** 

(First) (Middle) (Last)

(Street)

4560 HORTON STREET

EMERYVILLE, CA 94608

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

CHIRON CORP [CHIR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 04/19/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

X\_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

(City) (State)

1.Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Zip)

anv (Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

Common 04/19/2006 Stock

12,093  $D^{(1)}$ (2)

D \$48 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of tiorDerivative 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)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 20.5938	04/19/2006		D(3)		5,179	<u>(4)</u>	04/19/2006	Common Stock	5,179
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.1563	04/19/2006		D(3)		5,246	<u>(4)</u>	04/19/2006	Common Stock	5,246
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 21.3125	04/19/2006		D(3)		5,102	<u>(4)</u>	04/19/2006	Common Stock	5,102
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 35.8075	04/19/2006		D(3)		15,000	<u>(4)</u>	04/19/2006	Common Stock	15,000
Share Rights Award	<u>(5)</u>	04/19/2006		A(6)	3,233		<u>(7)</u>	04/19/2006	Common Stock	3,233
Share Rights Award	<u>(5)</u>	04/19/2006		D(8)		3,233	<u>(7)</u>	04/19/2006	Common Stock	3,233

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BRYSON VAUGHN D 4560 HORTON STREET EMERYVILLE, CA 94608	X						

## **Signatures**

Vaughn Bryson, By Naima Robinson as Atty-in-Fact	04/19/2006		
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		

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### **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).
- The disposition was effected pursuant to the terms of the merger agreement between the Issuer and Novartis AG dated as of October 30, 2005 and as subsequently amended April 3, 2006 (the "Merger Agreement"), and involved the exchange of each share for a cash payment in the amount of \$48. The disposition was approved by the Compensation Committee of the Issuer's Board of Directors and is accordingly an exempt transaction pursuant to SEC Rule 16b-3(e).
- (2) Includes share right awards covering 11,815 shares of the Issuer's common stock which were also exchanged for a cash payment pursuant to the Merger Agreement.
- The option was cancelled pursuant to the terms of the Merger Agreement in exchange for a cash payment per cancelled option share equal (3) to \$48 less the exercise price per share in effect for that option. Such disposition of the option was approved by the Compensation Committee of the Issuer's Board of Directors and is accordingly an exempt transaction pursuant to SEC Rule 16b-3(e).
- (4) The option was vested and fully exercisable as to all the shares at the time of cancellation.
- (5) One-for-One
- (6) Represents a share rights award for 3,233 vested shares of the Issuer's common stock made to the Reporting Person in a transaction exempt under SEC Rule 16b-3(d).
- (7) The share rights were vested and fully exercisable as to all the shares at the time of cancellation.
- The share rights were cancelled pursuant to the terms of the Merger Agreement in exchange for a cash payment equal to \$48 per share of (8) the Issuer's common stock underlying the cancelled share rights. Such disposition of the share rights was approved by the Compensation Committee of the Issuer's Board of Directors and is accordingly an exempt transaction pursuant to SEC Rule 16b-3(e).

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