POTTER MYRTLE S

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * POTTER MYRTLE S			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GENENTECH INC [DNA]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Chech an appheacle)		
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
1 DNA WAY			05/26/2005	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) PRESIDENT,		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
SO SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reportin Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-D	D erivative	Secui	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	05/26/2005		M	9,103	A	\$ 14.28	10,357	D	
Common Stock	05/26/2005		S	9,103	D	\$ 78.75	1,254	D	
Common Stock	05/26/2005		M	100	A	\$ 14.28	1,354	D	
Common Stock	05/26/2005		S	100	D	\$ 78.74	1,254	D	
Common Stock	05/26/2005		M	1,214	A	\$ 14.28	2,468	D	

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Common Stock	05/26/2005	S	1,214	D	\$ 78.73	1,254	D	
Common Stock	05/26/2005	M	7,500	A	\$ 42.05	8,754	D	
Common Stock	05/26/2005	S	7,500	D	\$ 78.73	1,254	D	
Common Stock						1,833	I	by Managed Account

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f 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 Am Underlying Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	A or N of Sl
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 14.28	05/26/2005		M	9,103	09/12/2002(1)	09/12/2012	Common Stock	ç
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Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 14.28	05/26/2005		M	1,214	09/12/2002(1)	09/12/2012	Common Stock	1
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 42.05	05/26/2005		M	7,500	09/11/2003(1)	09/11/2013	Common Stock	7

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

POTTER MYRTLE S 1 DNA WAY SO SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080

PRESIDENT,

Signatures

By: Janna Berry, Attorney-in-Fact For: Myrtle S.

Potter 05/27/2005

**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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This stock option vests over four years, with the first 25% of the shares vesting one year from the grant date and 75% of the shares

(1) vesting in equal monthly increments over the following three years. This option may be immediately exercisable with the consent of Genentech.

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