

GILEAD SCIENCES INC
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
Meiners James R

 (Last) (First) (Middle)
**GILEAD SCIENCES, INC., 333
 LAKESIDE DRIVE**

 (Street)
FOSTER CITY, CA 94404

 (City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
GILEAD SCIENCES INC [GILD]

 3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
02/15/2017

 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)
EVP Worldwide Commercial Ops

 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
				(A) or (D)	Price					
Common Stock	02/15/2017		A	V	213 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$ 59.33	6,939	D	
Common Stock	02/16/2017		A		1,161 ⁽²⁾	A	\$ 0	8,100	D	
Common Stock	02/16/2017		A		1,022 ⁽³⁾	A	\$ 0	9,122	D	
Common Stock	02/16/2017		F		2,053	D	\$ 70.31	7,069	D	
Common Stock	02/16/2017		G	V	4,354 ⁽⁴⁾	D	\$ 0	2,715	D	

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Common Stock 02/16/2017 G V 4,354⁽⁴⁾ A \$ 0 125,505 I By Trust

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 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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 3)
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				Amount or Number of Shares
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Meyers James R GILEAD SCIENCES, INC. 333 LAKESIDE DRIVE FOSTER CITY, CA 94404				EVP Worldwide Commercial Ops	

Signatures

/s/ Marissa Song by Power of Attorney for James R. Meyers 02/21/2017

__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) Shares were acquired under the Gilead Sciences, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- (2) Represents shares of the Issuer's common stock subject to specific tranches of the performance share awards made to the Reporting Person on February 1, 2015, and February 1, 2016. Such tranches of shares were subject to both performance-vesting and service-vesting requirements. The performance vesting requirement was satisfied on the date reported in Column 2 above upon certification of

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performance goal attainment by the Compensation Committee of the Issuer's Board of Directors. However, the shares will not be issued to the Reporting Person until such individual satisfies the applicable service-vesting requirements by continuing in the Issuer's employ through December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2018, respectively.

(3) Represents shares of the Issuer's common stock subject to specific tranches of the performance share award made to the Reporting Person on February 1, 2014. Such tranches of shares were subject to performance-vesting and service-vesting requirements and became issuable on the date reported in Column 2 above upon certification of performance goal attainment by the Compensation Committee of the Issuer's Board of Directors.

(4) Shares gifted to family trust.

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