Instruction 1(b).

FORM 4

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* WIGGINS MARK C						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BIOGEN IDEC INC [BIIB]							f Reporting Person(s) to Issuer able) 10% Owner		ner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 14 CAMBRIDGE CENTER					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/06/2006							X Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP Corp. and Bus. Dev.				
(Street) CAMBRIDGE MA 02142 (City) (State) (Zip)				4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
		Tab	le I - Non-Der	ivativ	e Se	curities	s Ac	quired, Di	sposed c	f, or Ber	neficia	ly Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Trans Date (Month/			nsaction	ear) i	A. Deemed execution Date, any Month/Day/Yea		Code (Ins	on Disposed	4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)		Beneficia Owned F	s ally following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
								Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			(Instr. 4)
		-	Fable II - Deriv (e.g.,					uired, Dis s, options,				Owned				
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. Transa Code (8)				6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/)	ate	of Securiti		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Stock Option (right-to- buy) ⁽¹⁾	\$44.24	02/06/2006		A		47,700		(2)	02/05/2016	Common Stock	47,700	(1)	47,700		D	
Restricted Stock Units ⁽³⁾	(3)	02/06/2006		A		19,100		(4)	(4)	Common Stock	19,100	(3)	19,100		D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Granted under one of the Issuer's stock option plans, in an exempt transaction under SEC rule 16(b)-3(d).
- 2. The stock option becomes exercisable in four (4) equal annual installments, commencing one year after the grant date of 02/06/06.
- ${\it 3. Each \ restricted \ stock \ unit \ represents \ a \ contingent \ right \ to \ receive \ one \ share \ of \ BIIB \ common \ stock.}$
- 4. The restricted stock units vest in three (3) equal annual installments, commencing one year after the grant date of 02/06/06.

Remarks:

by: Kevin M. Foley; for: Mark 02/08/2006 **Wiggins**

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * 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).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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Know all by these presents, that the undersigned's hereby makes, constitutes and appoints Benjamin S. Harshbarger, Daniel S. Char, Jo Ann Taormina and Kevin M. Foley as the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact, with full power and authority as hereinafter described on behalf of and in the name, place and stead of the undersigned to:

- (1) prepare, execute, acknowledge, deliver and file Forms 3, 4, and 5
 (including any amendments thereto) with respect to the securities of
 Biogen
 Idec Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), with the United
 States
 Securities and Exchange Commission, any national securities
 exchanges and
 the Company, as considered necessary or advisable under
 Section 16(a) of
 the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules and
 regulations
 promulgated thereunder, as amended from time to time (the
 "Exchange Act");
- (2) seek or obtain, as the undersigned's representative and on the undersigned's behalf, information on transactions in the Company's securities from any third party, including brokers, employee benefit plan administrators and trustees, and the undersigned hereby authorizes any such person to release any such information to the undersigned and approves and ratifies any such release of information; and
- (3) perform any and all other acts which in the discretion of such attorney-in-fact are necessary or desirable for and on behalf of the undersigned in connection with the foregoing.

The undersigned acknowledges that:

any documents

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- (1) this Power of Attorney authorizes, but does not require, such attorney-in-fact to act in their discretion on information provided to such attorney-in-fact without independent verification of such information;
- prepared and/or executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney will be in such form and will contain such information and disclosure as such attorney-in-fact, in his or her discretion, deems necessary or desirable;
- (3) neither the Company nor such attorney-in-fact assumes (i) any liability for the undersigned's responsibility to comply with the requirement of the Exchange Act, (ii) any liability of the undersigned for any failure to

comply with such requirements, or (iii) any obligation or liability of the undersigned for profit disgorgement under Section 16(b) of the Exchange Act; and

(4) this Power of Attorney does not relieve the undersigned from responsibility for compliance with the undersigned's obligations under the Exchange Act, including without limitation the reporting requirements under Section 16 of the Exchange Act.

undersigned hereby gives and grants the foregoing attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform all and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary or appropriate to be done in and about the foregoing matters as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if present, hereby ratifying all that such attorney-in-fact of, for and on behalf of the undersigned, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Limited Power of Attorney.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to such attorney-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 24th day of January, 2006.

/s/ Mark

Wiggins

Mark Wiggins