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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Herrera Malaga Adolfo

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

BENTLEY PHARMACEUTICALS INC [BNT]

(Check all applicable)

Managing Director European Ops

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

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

BENTLEY PARK, 2 HOLLAND

(Street)

WAY

4. If Amendment, Date Original

05/23/2006

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

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

EXETER, NH 03833

(City) (State) (Zip)

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)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported

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

Code V Amount (D) Price

Common Stock, \$.02

17,500 D

par value

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 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)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Right to purchase	\$ 11.775	05/23/2006		A	43,300	<u>(1)</u>	05/23/2016	Common Stock, \$.02 par value	43,300
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	05/23/2006		A	8,500	(3)	05/23/2016	Common Stock, \$.02 par value	8,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Herrera Malaga Adolfo BENTLEY PARK 2 HOLLAND WAY EXETER, NH 03833

Managing Director European Ops

Signatures

Adolfo Herrera Malaga

05/23/2006

**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).
- Options were granted under terms of the Company's Amended and Restated 2005 Equity and Incentive Plan. Grant becomes exercisable in three equal installments on 5/23/2007, 5/23/2008 and 5/23/2009.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Bentley Pharmaceuticals, Inc. Common Stock, \$.02 par value.
- (3) Restricted stock units were granted under the terms of the Company's Amended and Restated 2005 Equity and Incentive Plan. Units vest, and will be issued to the reporting person, in four equal installments on 5/23/2007, 5/23/2008, 5/23/2009 and 5/23/2010.

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