# **UNITED STATES**

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

DATE OF REPORT (DATE OF EARLIEST EVENT REPORTED):

July 27, 2005

# GILEAD SCIENCES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**DELAWARE** (State or other jurisdiction of

0-19731 (Commission File Number) 94-3047598 (I.R.S. Employer

incorporation or organization)

**Identification No.)** 

333 LAKESIDE DRIVE, FOSTER CITY, CALIFORNIA

(Address of principal executive offices)

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(Zip Code)

(650) 574-3000

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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#### SECTION 5 CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

#### Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers

(d) Appointment of a Director

At a meeting held on July 27, 2005, the board of directors of Gilead Sciences, Inc. (the Company) elected John F. Cogan, PhD to the board of directors of the Company effective July 27, 2005. Dr. Cogan currently serves as the Leonard and Shirley Ely Senior Fellow at the Hoover Institution, Stanford University, where he has had a continuing appointment since 1980. Dr. Cogan is also a professor of public policy at Stanford and a senior fellow with the Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research. The Company s board of directors has appointed Dr. Cogan to the Compensation Committee and Audit Committee.

A copy of the Company s press release announcing Dr. Cogan s election to the Company s board of directors is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

#### SECTION 9 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

#### **Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(c) Exhibits

#### Exhibit

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99.1	Press Release, issued by Gilead Sciences, Inc. on July 27, 2005.				

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#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

GILEAD SCIENCES, INC.

(Registrant)

/s/ John F. Milligan

John F. Milligan

Executive Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer

Date: July 28, 2005

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