

ABBOTT LABORATORIES

Form 4

January 25, 2005

**FORM 4**
**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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See Instruction  
1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**NEMMERS JOSEPH M**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD**

(Street)

**ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064-6400**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol

**ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ABT]**

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

**12/16/2004**

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title \_\_\_\_ Other (specify  
below) below)

Senior Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

**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 Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common shares without par value	12/16/2004		G	V 1,609 D \$ 0	61,958	D	
Common shares without par value	01/21/2005		S	8,728 D \$ 45.8476	53,230	D	
Common shares without par value					10,583 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	Profit Sharing Trust

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Common shares without par value	338 <u>(2)</u> <u>(3)</u>	I	By self for son
Common shares without par value	338 <u>(2)</u> <u>(3)</u>	I	By self for son
Common shares without par value	278 <u>(2)</u> <u>(3)</u>	I	By self for son
Common shares without par value	284 <u>(2)</u> <u>(3)</u>	I	By self for son

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 Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 6)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
NEMMERS JOSEPH M 100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD	Senior Vice

ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064-6400

President

## Signatures

John A. Berry, Attorney-in-Fact for Joseph M.  
Nemmers

01/25/2005

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Balance in the Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust as of January 21, 2005.
- (2) Reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of all securities held by his sons.
- (3) Includes shares acquired under the Abbott Laboratories Dividend Investment and Stock Purchase Plan in transactions exempt from Section 16(b) under Rule 16(a)-11.

### Remarks:

This sale was made pursuant to a previously adopted plan complying with Rule 10b5-1(c). The plan was adopted on December

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