GENENTECH INC Form 4 July 18, 2008

FORM 4

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

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Tessier-Lavigne Marc			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GENENTECH INC [DNA]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)				
1 DNA WAY			(Month/Day/Year) 07/16/2008	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP, RESEARCH DRUG DISCOVERY				
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check				
SO SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I Non Derivative Securities Acquired Disposed of an Reposicially Owned					

(City)	(State)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	n(A) or Dis	Securities Acquired) or Disposed of (D) astr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	07/16/2008		Code V	Amount 18,750	or (D)	Price \$ 53.23	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) 19,909	D	
Common Stock	07/16/2008		S	18,750	D	\$ 79.9	1,159	D	

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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 or 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 An Underlying Se (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title [
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 53.23	07/16/2008		M	18,750	09/23/2004(1)	09/23/2014	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Tessier-Lavigne Marc EVP, RESEARCH
1 DNA WAY DRUG
SO SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080 DISCOVERY

Signatures

By: Caroline Wu For: Marc T Tessier-Lavigne 07/17/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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).

This stock option vests over four years, with the first 25% of the shares vesting one year from the grant date and 75% of the shares (1) vesting in equal monthly increments over the following three years. The option may be immediately exercisable with the consent of Generatech

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