

SALANS LESTER B  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
SALANS LESTER B

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
FOREST LABORATORIES INC  
[FRX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
03/16/2007

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

C/O FOREST LABORATORIES, INC., 909 THIRD AVENUE

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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

NEW YORK, NY 10022

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	
Common Stock	03/16/2007		M	A	7,000	\$ 7.6875	7,000 D
Common Stock	03/16/2007		S	D	2,000	\$ 50.8	5,000 D
Common Stock	03/16/2007		S	D	1,000	\$ 50.95	4,000 D
Common Stock	03/16/2007		S	D	1,000	\$ 51.04	3,000 D
Common Stock	03/16/2007		S	D	1,000	\$ 51.05	2,000 D

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Common Stock	03/16/2007	S	1,000	D	\$ 51.06	1,000	D
Common Stock	03/16/2007	S	1,000	D	\$ 50.9	0 <sup>(1)</sup>	D

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)		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V	(A)	(D)
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 7.6875	03/16/2007		M	7,000	02/20/1999 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/20/2008	Common Stock	7,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SALANS LESTER B C/O FOREST LABORATORIES, INC. 909 THIRD AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10022	X			

## Signatures

/s/ Lester B. Salans  
Date: 03/19/2007

\*\*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) The reporting person beneficially owns 43,000 shares which includes options to purchase 43,000 shares.

(2) The option was exercisable as to 25% of the shares covered by the option on the date of the grant (February 20, 1998), and as to the remaining shares, 25% on each of the following three anniversaries of the date of the grant.

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