

APPLERA CORP  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
NAYYAR SANDEEP

(Last) (First) (Middle)

APPLERA CORP - APPLIED  
BIOSYSTEMS GROUP, 850  
LINCOLN CENTRE DRIVE

(Street)

FOSTER CITY, CA 94404

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
APPLERA CORP [ABI/CRA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/15/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Applied Biosystems Group Common Stock	02/15/2006		M		10,000 A \$ 15.54	14,874.824	D
Applied Biosystems Group Common Stock	02/15/2006		S		10,000 D \$ 28.5473	4,874.824	D

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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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Applied Biosystems Group Employee Stock Options-Right to Buy	\$ 15.54	02/15/2006		M	10,000	(1) 03/24/2013	Applied Biosystems Group Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
NAYYAR SANDEEP APPLERA CORP - APPLIED BIOSYSTEMS GROUP 850 LINCOLN CENTRE DRIVE FOSTER CITY, CA 94404			Assistant Controller	

## Signatures

/s/ Thomas P. Livingston, Attorney-In-Fact for Sandeep Nayyar  
Date: 02/16/2006

\_\_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).

(1) These options originally became exercisable in four equal annual installments, commencing March 24, 2004. Effective January 20, 2005, the vesting of all of these options was accelerated. However, shares received upon the exercise of accelerated options are subject to a restriction on transfer (covering sales, gifts, pledges, and any other method of disposition) that will remain in effect until the earlier of the original vesting date of those options or termination of the reporting person's employment with the issuer.

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