FORM 3

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Lindberg Alf A		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 11/17/2005		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AVANT IMMUNOTHERAPEUTICS INC [ AVAN ]					
(Last) (First) (Middle) STUREGATAN 14				Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     X Director 10% Owner				5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	
P.O. BOX 5232					Officer (give title below)	Other (spe below)	cify	6. Individual or Join Applicable Line)	t/Group Filing (Check
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Explanation of Responses:

No securities are beneficially owned.

Alf A. Lindberg

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

11/21/2005

 $Reminder: Report \ on \ a \ separate \ line \ for \ each \ class \ of \ securities \ beneficially \ owned \ directly \ or \ indirectly.$ 

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LIMITED POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR AVANT IMMUNOTHERAPEUTICS, INC. SECTION 16(a) FILINGS

Know all men by these present, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Avery W. Catlin and Una S. Ryan, signing singly, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer, director and/or stockholder of AVANT Immunotherapeutics, Inc. (the "Company"), Forms 3, 4, and 5 and any amendments thereto in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;
- (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, or 5 or amendment thereto and timely file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- (3) take any other action of any type whatsoever which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be necessary or desirable in connection with the foregoing authority, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorneyin-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Power of Attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities of the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact. This Power of Attorney may be filed with the SEC as a confirming statement of the authority granted herein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Limited Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 15th day of November, 2005.

Sign	ature		

Alf A. Lindberg, MD,PhD. Print Name