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## FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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obligations may cont	inue. See
Instruction 1(b).	

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> <u>PDI INC</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>AVANT IMMUNOTHERAPEUTICS INC</u> [ AVAN ]								5. R (Ch	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
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																(give title		Other (	specify	
(Last) (First) (Middle)						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)									below)			below)		
23 FAWN DRIVE					05	05/26/2005														
(Street)					- 4.1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
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(City)	(5	State)	(Zip)												1 61501					
		Tak	ole I - Nor	n-Deriv	vativ	e Se	curities	s Ac	quired,	Dis	posed c	of, or B	ene	ficiall	y Owned	I				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Trans Date (Month)				ear)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year		Code (Instr. 5)			(A) or 3, 4 and	5. Amou Securitie Beneficia Owned F Reported	es ally Following	Form (D) o	wnership n: Direct r Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership					
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	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																			
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Non- Qualified Stock	\$1.45	05/26/2005			Α		10,000		05/26/20	06 (	)5/26/2015	Commo Stock	<sup>n</sup> 1	0,000	\$1.45	40,00	0	D		

Explanation of Responses:

Option

## Larry Ellberger

05/27/2005

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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