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### FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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			of Section So(n) of the Investment Company Act of 1540					
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> <u>RYAN UNA S</u>			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>AVANT IMMUNOTHERAPEUTICS INC</u> [	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
			AVAN ]		Director	10% Owner		
(Last)	st) (First) (Middle)			x	Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)		
329 HAMMOND STREET			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/03/2006	President & CEO				
(Street) CHESTNUT	MA		4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line)	vidual or Joint/Group Fili	ng (Check Applicable		
HILL		02467		X	Form filed by One Re	porting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	—		Form filed by More th Person	an One Reporting		
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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. Transa Code ( 8)				3, 4 and	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)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1130.4)
Common Stock	07/03/2006		L		500	Α	<b>\$1.369</b>	868,413	D	

 
 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. Transa Code ( 8)		of		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

### <u>Una S. Ryan</u>

07/03/2006

\*\* 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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