

INVITROGEN CORP
Form 4
November 15, 2004

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
COTTINGHAM JOHN A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1600 FARADAY AVENUE

(Street)

CARLSBAD, CA 92008

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
INVITROGEN CORP [IVGN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
11/12/2004

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

VP Gen Counsel Secretary

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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	(D)	Price

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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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 62.51	11/12/2004			A		11,200		<u>(1)</u>	11/12/2014	Common Stock	11,200
Restricted Share Units	\$ 0	11/12/2004			A		2,000		<u>(2)</u>	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock	2,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
COTTINGHAM JOHN A 1600 FARADAY AVENUE CARLSBAD, CA 92008			VP Gen Counsel	Secretary

Signatures

John A.
Cottingham 11/15/2004

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) Option vesting is over a 4 year period, vesting 25% on each anniversary of the November 12, 2004 grant date, contingent upon continued service to Invitrogen.
- (2) The restricted share units vest 100% on the third anniversary of the November 12, 2004 date of grant.
- (3) Restricted share units can be converted into shares of Invitrogen common stock on the applicable vesting date.

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