

FOREST LABORATORIES INC

Form 4

August 12, 2008

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Basgoz Nesli

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O FOREST LABORATORIES,
INC., 909 THIRD AVENUE

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10022

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
FOREST LABORATORIES INC
[FRX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
08/11/2008

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)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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. 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)
Common Stock	08/11/2008		A	(A) or (D) 1,000 (1)	\$ 0 2,000 (2)	D	

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)**

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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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. D S (I
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 38.33	08/11/2008		A	4,000	02/11/2009 08/10/2018	Common Stock	4,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Basgoz Nesli C/O FOREST LABORATORIES, INC. 909 THIRD AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10022	X			

Signatures

/s/ Nesli Basgoz 08/11/2008

**Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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These shares of common stock are issued under the Company's 2007 Equity Incentive Plan and are subject to a risk of forfeiture, which

(1) lapses as to 25% of the shares on the six month anniversary of the grant date (August 11, 2008) and as to 25% of the shares on each of the first three anniversaries of the grant date.

(2) This amount includes shares of common stock which are subject to a risk of forfeiture.

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