

OBOYLE KEVIN C

Form 4

May 16, 2005

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

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
OBOYLE KEVIN C

(Last) (First) (Middle)

4545 TOWNE CENTRE COURT

(Street)

SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
NUVASIVE INC [NUVA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/13/2005

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) below)

CFO and Executive VP

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
__X__ 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. 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)
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	05/13/2005		M	V Amount (A) or (D) Price 778 A \$ 3.75	44,111	D	
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	05/13/2005		S ⁽²⁾	778 D \$ 14	43,333	D	
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	05/13/2005		M	4,222 A \$ 3.75	47,555	D	
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	05/13/2005		S ⁽²⁾	4,222 D \$ 14	43,333	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)

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 (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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 3.75	05/13/2005		M	778	01/02/2004 ⁽³⁾ 01/02/2014	Common Stock 778
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 3.75	05/13/2005		M	4,222	01/02/2004 ⁽³⁾ 01/02/2014	Common Stock 4,222

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
OBOYLE KEVIN C 4545 TOWNE CENTRE COURT SAN DIEGO, CA 92121	CFO and Executive VP

Signatures

/s/ Kevin O'Boyle 05/16/2005

__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) The shares sold were acquired contemporaneously upon the cashless exercise of a stock option with an exercise price of \$3.75 per share.

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- (2) The sale reported on this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on September 14, 2004.

The option is immediately exercisable, but shares purchased under such option are subject to repurchase by the Issuer at the option

- (3) exercise price upon the Reporting Person's termination of service to the Issuer prior to vesting in these shares. 25% of the option shares vest on such date with the remaining option shares vesting in 36 equal monthly installments thereafter.

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