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FORM 5

ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Section	17(a)	of the	Public	Utility	Holding C	Company	Act	of	1935	or
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	Section 30(f) of the		npany Act of 1940						
[_]	Check box if no longer subject may continue. See Instruction		. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations						
[_]	Form 3 Holdings Reported								
_	Form 4 Transactions Reported								
	Name and Address of Reporting								
	-Goldman, Myla P.								
	(Last)	(First)	(Middle)						
	Laboratory Corporation of Ame:	rica Holdings, 43	30 South Spring Street						
		(Street)							
Burl	lington, North Carolina 27215								
((City)	(State)	(Zip)						
2.	Issuer Name and Ticker or Tra								
	oratory Corporation of America								
	IRS Identification Number of								
4.	Statement for Month/Year								
Dece	ember 31, 2002								
5.	If Amendment, Date of Origina								
6.	Relationship of Reporting Pe: (Check all applicable)	rson(s) to Issue							
		ow) [_: hief Scientific (10% Owner Other (specify below) Officer and Medical Director						
7.	Individual or Joint/Group Fi (Check applicable line)	ling							
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Table I -- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of,

neficially Owned
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	2.	2A. Deemed on Execution Date, if y 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 at End of Issuer's	6. Owner- ship Form: Direct (D) or	7. Nature of Indirect
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	Date			Amount			Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	Indirect	
Common Stock	1/7/02			11,900	A			D	
	2/14/02		A	17,600			106,867.2098 (1)	D	
							2,000 (2)		

 ⁽¹⁾ Amount shown reflects a 2-for-1 stock split effective on May 10, 2002. Includes 442.2659 shares acquired on June 28, 2002 and 520.5865 shares acquired on December 31, 2002 under the Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings stock purchase plan.
 (2) Dr. Lai-Goldman disclaims beneficial ownership of the 2,000 shares of

(Over) SEC 2270 (6-02)

common stock held in her daughter's name.

Table II -- Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversi or Exerc Price of	ise action	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction	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)	
Security (Instr. 3)	Derivati Security	ve (Month/	(Month/	Code (Instr.8)			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date
Non-Qualified Stock Option (2)	\$78.68	1/7/02		А	17,700		(3)	1/7/12
Non-Qualified Stock Option (4)	\$87.06	2/14/02		A	25,200		(5)	2/14/12
7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8.	9. Number of Derivative Securities	of	ership Derivative	11. Nature of		
Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Benefici Owned at E of Year (Instr. 4)	nd Dir Ind	ecurity: ect (D) or irect (I) str. 4)	Indired Beneficia Ownership (Instr. 4	ıl D	
Common Stock	17,700	\$78.68	35,400 (6)	D				
Common Stock	25,200	\$87.06	50,400 (6)	D				

Explanation of Responses:

- (2) Employee stock option (right to buy) granted pursuant to the Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings 2000 Stock Incentive Plan.
- (3) The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on January
- 7, 2003.
 (4) Employee stock option (right to buy) granted pursuant to the Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings 2000 Stock Incentive Plan.
- (5) The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on February
- (6) Amount shown reflects a 2-for-1 stock split effective on May 10, 2002.

**Signature of Reporting Person Bradford T. Smith, Attorney-in-Fact for Myla P. Lai-Goldman

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).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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