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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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1	Address of Reporting <u>BRADFORD 1</u>		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>LABORATORY CORP OF AMERICA</u> <u>HOLDINGS</u> [LH]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/05/2003	X Onlicer (give time Other (specify below) EVP, Chief Legal Off, Secretary				
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
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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)					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)		(1150.4)
Common Stock	08/05/2003		М		13,600	A	\$10.3125	216,989.335(1)	D	
Common Stock	08/05/2003		М		3,600	A	\$10.3125	220,589.335(1)	D	
Common Stock	08/05/2003		S		2,300	D	\$30.92	218,289.335(1)	D	
Common Stock	08/05/2003		S		10,000	D	\$30.9	208,289.335(1)	D	
Common Stock	08/05/2003		S		5,700	D	\$30.88	202,589.335(1)	D	
Common Stock	08/05/2003		S		6,000	D	\$30.86	196,589.335 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Common Stock	08/05/2003		S		6,642	D	\$30.85	189,947.335(1)	D	
Common Stock	08/05/2003		S		1,000	D	\$30.84	188,947.335(1)	D	
Common Stock	08/05/2003		S		2,400	D	\$30.83	186,547.335(1)	D	
Common Stock	08/05/2003		S		1,000	D	\$30.81	185,547.335(1)	D	
Common Stock	08/05/2003		S		2,000	D	\$30.8	183,547.335(1)	D	
Common Stock	08/05/2003		S		4,000	D	\$30.75	179,547.335(1)	D	
Common Stock	08/05/2003		S		5,000	D	\$30.7	174,547.335(1)	D	

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 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				
Non- qualified Stock Options ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	\$10.3125	08/05/2003		М			13,600	02/09/2003	02/10/2010	Common Stock	13,600	\$10.3125	0	D	
Non- qualified Stock Options ⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾	\$10.3125	08/05/2003		М			3,600	02/09/2003	02/10/2010	Common Stock	3,600	\$10.3125	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Amount shown reflects a 2-for-1 stock split effective on May 10, 2002.

2. Common stock purchase option granted under the Amended and Restated 1999 Stock Incentive Plan.

3. Transactions indicated were pursuant to a plan in compliance with Rule 10b5-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

4. Common stock purchase option granted under the Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings 1994 Stock Option Plan.

/s/ Bradford T. Smith

Date

08/07/2003

** Signature of Reporting Person

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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