FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  KLEIN JOSEPH III					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ISIS PHARMACEUTICALS INC [ ISIS ]							(Ch	elationship ceck all applic	able)	Reporting Person(s) to Issuer ble) 10% Owner			
	`	E PHARMACE	(Middle)	INC.	07	Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)     07/03/2006  4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							C 15	below)	(give title	Other (specially)		
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Common Stock 07/03.				3/200	3/2006 07/03/2006		2006	P <sup>(1)</sup>		2,000	2,000 A		2 12,	12,000		D		
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					Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisab		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Director Stock Option (right to	\$5.93	07/03/2006	07/03/20	06	A		12,500		07/03/2007	(2)	07/02/2016	Common Stock	12,500	\$0	12,50	0	D	

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The purchase reported on this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on 12-13-05.
- 2. Grant of 7-3-06 to reporting person of stock options under the Isis Pharmaceuticals, Inc. 2002 Non-Employee Directors' Stock Option Plan. The option vests and becomes exercisable in four equal annual installments, with the first installment vesting on 7-3-07. The option shall be fully vested and exercisable on 7-3-10. The option is exercisable as to 0 shares on 7-3-06.

## Remarks:

/s/B. Lynne Parshall, Attorney-

07/05/2006

in-Fact

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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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