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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

(Last)

À Martens Juergen

(First)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

02/16/2006

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

MANNKIND CORP [MNKD]

(Check all applicable)

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

28903 NORTH AVENUE

PAINE

(Street)

Director _X__ Officer

10% Owner Other (give title below) (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Corporate VP

Person Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

VALENCIA, Â CAÂ 91355

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Instr. 4)

1. Title of Security

2. Amount of Securities

Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

Ownership Form:

(I)

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect (Instr. 5)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

4. Conversion or Exercise Price of

5. Ownership Form of Derivative

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 5)

Date Exercisable Expiration

Date

Title Amount or Number of Shares

Derivative Security

Security: Direct (D) or Indirect

(I)

1

(Instr. 5)

Employee Stock Option (right to buy) Common Stock, $09/19/2006\underline{^{(1)}}$ 09/19/2015 Stock, 09/19/2015 09/

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Martens Juergen
28903 NORTH AVENUE PAINE Â Â Corporate VP Â

VALENCIA, CAÂ 91355

Signatures

/s/ Juergen
Martens

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Vesting schedule provides 1/4 of shares vesting on 09/19/2006 and 1/48th monthly thereafter; being fully vested 09/19/2009.

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