

MONSANTO CO /NEW/  
Form 3  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â Foster Scarlett L		(Month/Day/Year)	MONSANTO CO /NEW/ [MON]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	08/02/2005	
800 N. LINDBERGH BLVD.			4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
(Street)			(Check all applicable)	
ST. LOUIS,Â MOÂ 63167			<input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person
			(give title below) (specify below)	<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
			V.P., Investor Relations	

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	7,434	D	Â
Common Stock	5	I	By 401(k) Plan

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 Derivative	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Option (right to buy)	04/25/2004 <sup>(1)</sup>	04/24/2013	Common Stock	5,640	\$ 16.145	D	Â
Option (right to buy)	03/15/2005 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/26/2014	Common Stock	3,753	\$ 32.385	D	Â
Option (right to buy)	11/15/2005 <sup>(3)</sup>	10/28/2014	Common Stock	8,500	\$ 41.61	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Foster Scarlett L 800 N. LINDBERGH BLVD. ST. LOUIS, MO 63167	Â	Â	Â V.P., Investor Relations	Â

## Signatures

Christopher A. Martin,  
Attorney-in-Fact

08/12/2005

\_\_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) One-third of the options became exercisable on April 25, 2004, one-third of the options became exercisable on March 15, 2005 and one-third of the options become exercisable on March 15, 2006, subject to the terms of the Monsanto Company Long Term Incentive Plan.

(2) One-third of the options became exercisable on March 15, 2005, one-third of the options become exercisable on March 15, 2006 and one-third of the options become exercisable on March 15, 2007, subject to the terms and conditions of the Monsanto Company Long Term Incentive Plan.

(3) Options become exercisable in three equal installments on each of November 15, 2005, November 15, 2006 and November 15, 2007, subject to the terms and conditions of the Monsanto Company Long Term Incentive Plan.

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