CHIRON CORP Form SC 13D/A April 03, 2006

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D

(Amendment 3)1

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN STATEMENTS FILED PURSUANT TO RULE 13d-1(a)

AND AMENDMENTS THERETO FILED PURSUANT TO RULE 13d-2(a)

Chiron Corporation

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, \$0.01 par value

(Title of Class of Securities)

170040109

(CUSIP Number)

Allison Bennington, Esq.
ValueAct Capital
435 Pacific Avenue, Fourth Floor
San Francisco, CA 94133
(415) 362-3700

(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

With a Copy to:
Christopher G. Karras, Esq.
Dechert LLP
4000 Bell Atlantic Tower
1717 Arch Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103-2793
Ph. (215) 994-4000

April 3, 2006

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition that is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this schedule because of Rule 240.13d-1(b)(e), 240.13d-1(f) or 240.13d-1(g) check the following box [].

NOTE: Schedules filed in paper format shall include a signed original and five copies of the schedule, including all exhibits. See Rule 240.13d-7 (b) for other parties to whom copies are to be sent

1The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

			SCHEDULE 13D			
CU	CUSIP NO. 170040109 Page 2 of 12					
1. NAME OF REPORTING PERSON/S.S. OR I.R.S. INDENTIFICATION NO. OF PERSON (entities only)				ABOVE		
	ValueAct Capita	l Mas	ter Fund, L.P.			
2.	CHECK THE APPRO	PRIAT	E BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*	(a) [X] (b) []		
3.	SEC USE ONLY					
4.	. SOURCE OF FUNDS*					
	WC*	WC*				
5.	CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e)					
6.	CITIZENSHIP OR	PLACE	OF ORGANIZATION			
	British Virgin	Islan	ds			
	NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH PERSON WITH	7.	SOLE VOTING POWER 0			
		8.	SHARED VOTING POWER 9,761,527**			
		9.	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 0			
		10.	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 9,761,527**			
11	. AGGREGATE AMOU	NT BE	NEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON			
	9,761,527**					
12	. CHECK BOX IF T CERTAIN SHARES		GREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES	[]		
13	. PERCENT OF CLA	SS RE	PRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)			
	5.2%					
14	. TYPE OF REPORT	'ING P				
	PN					

*See Item 3

**See Item 2 and 5

**See Item 2 and 5

*SEE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE FILLING OUT!

INCLUDE BOTH SIDES OF THE COVER PAGE, RESPONSES TO ITEMS 1-7

(INCLUDING EXHIBITS) OF THE SCHEDULE, AND THE SIGNATURE

ATTESTATION.

			SCHEDULE 13D			
CU	SIP NO. 17004010)9		Page 3 of	 f 12	
1.	. NAME OF REPORTING PERSON/S.S. OR I.R.S. INDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON (entities only)					
	ValueAct Capita	ıl Par	tners Co-Investors, L.P.			
				(a) (b)		
3.	SEC USE ONLY					
4.	SOURCE OF FUNDS	;*				
	WC*					
5.	. CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e) [
6.	6. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION					
	Delaware 					
	NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH PERSON WITH	7.	SOLE VOTING POWER 0			
		8.	SHARED VOTING POWER 38,473**			
		9.	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 0			
		10.	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 38,473**			
11	. AGGREGATE AMOU	JNT BE	NEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON			
	38,473**					
12	. CHECK BOX IF T		GREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES		[]	
13	. PERCENT OF CLA	SS RE	EPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)			
	Less than 1%					
14	. TYPE OF REPORT					
	PN					
 *S	 ee Item 3					

*SEE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE FILLING OUT!

INCLUDE BOTH SIDES OF THE COVER PAGE, RESPONSES TO ITEMS 1-7

(INCLUDING EXHIBITS) OF THE SCHEDULE, AND THE SIGNATURE

ATTESTATION.

SCHEDULE 13D

CU	SIP NO. 17004010	9	F	Page 4 of	£ 12	
1.	NAME OF REPORTII		RSON/S.S. OR I.R.S. INDENTIFICATION NO. OF y)	ABOVE		
	VA Partners, L.	L.C.				
2.	CHECK THE APPRO	PRIAT	E BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*	(a) (b)		
3.	SEC USE ONLY					
4.	SOURCE OF FUNDS	*				
	WC*					
5.	CHECK BOX IF DI: PURSUANT TO ITE		URE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED d) or 2(e)		[]	
6.	CITIZENSHIP OR 1	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION				
	Delaware					
		7.	SOLE VOTING POWER 0			
	NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY	8.	SHARED VOTING POWER 9,800,000**			
	OWNED BY EACH PERSON WITH	9.	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 0			
		10.	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 9,800,000**			
11	. AGGREGATE AMOUI	NT BE	NEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON			
	9,800,000**					
12	. CHECK BOX IF THE CERTAIN SHARES	HE AG	GREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES		[]	
13	. PERCENT OF CLAS	SS RE	PRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)			
	5.2%					
14	. TYPE OF REPORT	ING P	ERSON			
	00 (LLC)					
	ee Item 3 See Item 2 and 5	*S	EE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE FILLING OUT!			

INCLUDE BOTH SIDES OF THE COVER PAGE, RESPONSES TO ITEMS 1-7

(INCLUDING EXHIBITS) OF THE SCHEDULE, AND THE SIGNATURE ATTESTATION.

SCHEDULE 13D

CU	SIP NO. 17004010	19		Page 5 of	12
1. NAME OF REPORTING PERSON/S.S. OR I.R.S. INDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON (entities only)			OF ABOVE		
	Jeffrey W. Ubbe	n			
2.					 [X] []
	SEC USE ONLY				
	SOURCE OF FUNDS	;*			
	00*				
5.	CHECK BOX IF DI PURSUANT TO ITE	SCLOS	URE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED		[]
6.	CITIZENSHIP OR	PLACE	OF ORGANIZATION		
	United States				
		7.	SOLE VOTING POWER 0		
	BENEFICIALLY	8.	SHARED VOTING POWER 9,800,000**		
	OWNED BY EACH PERSON WITH		SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 0		
			SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 9,800,000**		
11	. AGGREGATE AMOU	NT BE	NEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSO	ON	
	9,800,000**				
12	. CHECK BOX IF T	HE AG	GREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES		[]
13	. PERCENT OF CLA	SS RE	PRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)		
	5.2%				
14	. TYPE OF REPORT	ING P	ERSON		
	IN				
	ee Item 3 See Item 2 and 5		EE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE FILLING OUT!		
		IDE BO	TH SIDES OF THE COVER PAGE, RESPONSES TO NG EXHIBITS) OF THE SCHEDULE, AND THE SI		

ATTESTATION.

SCHEDULE 13D

		SCHEDULE 13D			
CUSIE	NO. 17004010	Page 6 of			
	AME OF REPORTI ERSON (entitie	ING PERSON/S.S. OR I.R.S. INDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE es only)			
Ge	eorge F. Hamel	., Jr.			
2. CF	HECK THE APPRO	OPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP* (a) [: (b) [
3. SE	SEC USE ONLY				
4. SC	OURCE OF FUNDS	**			
0.0)*				
		SCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED MS 2(d) or 2(e) [
6. CI	ITIZENSHIP OR	PLACE OF ORGANIZATION			
Ur	nited States				
		7. SOLE VOTING POWER 0			
SI BE	NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH PERSON WITH	8. SHARED VOTING POWER 9,800,000**			
		9. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 0			
		10. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 9,800,000**			
11. 7	AGGREGATE AMOU	UNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON			
9	9,800,000**				
	CHECK BOX IF T CERTAIN SHARES	THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES			
13. E	PERCENT OF CLA	ASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)			
Ę	5.2%				
14.	TYPE OF REPORT	'ING PERSON			
]	IN				
	Item 3 e Item 2 and 5 INCLU	*SEE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE FILLING OUT! JDE BOTH SIDES OF THE COVER PAGE, RESPONSES TO ITEMS 1-7 JCLUDING EXHIBITS) OF THE SCHEDULE, AND THE SIGNATURE ATTESTATION.			

SCHEDULE 13D

CU:	SIP NO. 170040109	9		Page 7 of 12		
1.	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON (entities		RSON/S.S. OR I.R.S. INDENTIFICATION NO.	OF ABOVE		
	Peter H. Kamin					
2.	. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP* (a)					
3 .	SEC USE ONLY					
4.	SOURCE OF FUNDS*					
	00*					
5.	CHECK BOX IF DISPURSUANT TO ITEM		URE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED d) or 2(e)	[]		
6.	CITIZENSHIP OR I	PLACE	OF ORGANIZATION			
	United States					
		7.	SOLE VOTING POWER 0			
	BENEFICIALLY	8.	SHARED VOTING POWER 9,800,000**			
	OWNED BY EACH PERSON WITH		SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 0			
			SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 9,800,000**			
11	. AGGREGATE AMOUN	NT BE	NEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSO	 ON		
	9,800,000**					
12	. CHECK BOX IF THE CERTAIN SHARES	HE AG	GREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES	[]		
13	. PERCENT OF CLAS	SS RE	PRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)			
	5.2%					
14	. TYPE OF REPORT	ING P	ERSON			
	IN					
	ee Item 3 See Item 2 and 5 INCLUI		EE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE FILLING OUT! TH SIDES OF THE COVER PAGE, RESPONSES TO	O ITEMS 1-7		

THE PURPOSE OF THIS AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO SCHEDULE 13D IS TO AMEND THE PURPOSE OF TRANSACTION SECTION OF REPORTS FILED BY THE REPORTING PERSONS. THE INFORMATION BELOW SUPPLEMENTS THE INFORMATION PREVIOUSLY REPORTED.

ITEM 4. PURPOSE OF TRANSACTION.

On April 3, 2006 Chiron Corporation announced that it had entered into an amendment to its previously announced merger agreement with Novartis AG providing for Novartis to increase to \$48.00 per Chiron share the price it will pay for the approximately 56 percent of Chiron shares that Novartis does not already own. The Reporting Persons informed Chiron and Novartis that they, and their affiliated entities, intend to vote in favor of the transaction at this revised price, subject to the fiduciary and legal obligations applicable to them.

Page 8 of 12

ITEM 6. CONTRACTS, ARRANGEMENTS, UNDERSTANDINGS OR RELATIONSHIPS WITH RESPECT TO SECURITIES OF THE ISSUER

Other than as described elsewhere in this Report, the Reporting Persons have no understandings, arrangements, relationships or contracts relating to the Common Stock which are required to be described hereunder.

ITEM 7. MATERIAL TO BE FILED AS EXHIBITS

A) Joint Filing Agreement

Page 9 of 12

SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below on this Schedule 13D hereby constitutes and appoints Jeffrey W. Ubben, George F. Hamel, Jr. and Peter H. Kamin, and each of them, with full power to act without the other, his true and lawful attorney—in—fact and agent, with

full power of substitution and resubstitution, for him and in his name, place and stead, in any and all capacities (until revoked in writing) to sign any and all amendments to this Schedule 13D, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorneys—in—fact and agents, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary fully to all intents and purposes as he might or could do in person, thereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys—in—fact and agents or any of them, or their or his substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

ValueAct Capital Master Fund L.P., by VA Partners, L.L.C., its General Partner By: /s/ George F. Hamel, Jr. ______ Dated: April 3, 2006 George F. Hamel, Jr., Managing Member ValueAct Capital Partners Co-Investors L.P., by VA Partners, L.L.C., its General Partner By: /s/ George F. Hamel, Jr. _____ Dated: April 3, 2006 George F. Hamel, Jr., Managing Member VA Partners, L.L.C. By: /s/ George F. Hamel, Jr. _____ Dated: April 3, 2006 George F. Hamel, Jr., Managing Member Page 10 of 12 By: /s/ Jeffrey W. Ubben -----Dated: April 3, 2006 Jeffrey W. Ubben, Managing Member By: /s/ George F. Hamel, Jr. Dated: April 3, 2006 George F. Hamel, Jr., Managing Member By: /s/ Peter H. Kamin _____ Dated: April 3, 2006 Peter H. Kamin, Managing Member

Page 11 of 12

Exhibit A JOINT FILING UNDERTAKING

The undersigned parties hereby agree that the Schedule 13D filed herewith

(and any amendments thereto) relating to the Common Stock of Chiron Corporation is being filed jointly on behalf of each of them with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Section 13(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

		ValueAct Capital Master Fund L.P., by VA Partners, L.L.C., its General Partner
		By: /s/ George F. Hamel, Jr.
Dated:	April 3, 2006	George F. Hamel, Jr., Managing Member
		ValueAct Capital Partners Co-Investors L.P., by VA Partners, L.L.C., its General Partner
		By: /s/ George F. Hamel, Jr.
Dated:	April 3, 2006	George F. Hamel, Jr., Managing Member
		VA Partners, L.L.C.
		By: /s/ George F. Hamel, Jr.
Dated:	April 3, 2006	George F. Hamel, Jr., Managing Member
		By: /s/ Jeffrey W. Ubben
Dated:	April 3, 2006	Jeffrey W. Ubben, Managing Member
		By: /s/ George F. Hamel, Jr.
Dated:	April 3, 2006	George F. Hamel, Jr., Managing Member
		By: /s/ Peter H. Kamin
Dated:	April 3, 2006	Peter H. Kamin, Managing Member

Page 12 of 12