

ALEXION PHARMACEUTICALS INC
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SQUINTO STEPHEN P

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
ALEXION PHARMACEUTICALS INC [ALXN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
01/09/2008

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
EVP & Head of Research

C/O ALEXION PHARMACEUTICALS INC, 352 KNOTTER DRIVE
 (Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 ____ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

CHESHIRE, CT 06410

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 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) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount (A) or (D) Price | | |
| Common Stock, par value \$.0001 per share | 01/09/2008 | | A | | 3,000 (1) \$ 0 | D | |
| Common Stock, par value \$.0001 per share | 01/10/2008 | | S | | 712 (2) \$ 69.02 | D | |

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

| 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Option to Purchase Common Stock | \$ 70.59 | 01/09/2008 | | A | 25,000 | ⁽³⁾ 01/09/2018 | Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share | 25,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| SQUINTO STEPHEN P C/O ALEXION PHARMACEUTICALS INC 352 KNOTTER DRIVE CHESHIRE, CT 06410 | | | EVP & Head of Research | |

Signatures

/s/ Stephen Squinto 01/11/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) Award of Restricted Stock pursuant to the 2004 Incentive Plan. One half vests two years following the transaction date, and thereafter 1/8th vests every three months.
- (2) These sales were made to cover withholding taxes immediately following the vesting of previously granted Restricted Stock.
- (3) 1/16th vests every three months following transaction date.

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