FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  MADRI JOSEPH A					<u>A</u>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ALEXION PHARMACEUTICALS INC ALXN								Relationship eck all appli X Directo	cable)	g Pers	son(s) to Issi 10% Ow	
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ALEXION PHARMACEUTICALS INC 352 KNOTTER DRIVE					08	/03/20	012		`		h/Day/Year)		below)			Other (s below)		
(Street) CHESHIRE CT 06410 (City) (State) (Zip)				_   4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								e) X Form t Form t					
		Tab	le I - N	on-Deri	vativ	e Sec	curit	ties Ac	guired	, Di	sposed o	f, or Be	neficial	v Owned	<u> </u>			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/			ction	on 2A. Deemed Execution Date,		3. 4. Securities		s Acquired (A) or of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amou Securiti Benefic Owned	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following		n: Direct or Indirect onstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership				
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reporte Transac (Instr. 3	tion(s)			Instr. 4)
Common Stock, par value \$.0001 per share 08/03/20					/2012	12			М		30,000	A	\$4.26	270	5,746		D	
Common Stock, par value \$.0001 per share 08/03/20				/2012	)12		S		30,000	D	\$107.32	(1) 240	5,746		D			
		-	Table II								posed of, convertil			Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transa Code ( 8)				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	ble	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$4.26	08/03/2012			M			30,000	03/16/20	004	12/16/2013	Common Stock, par value \$.0001 per share	30,000	\$0	0		D	

## Explanation of Responses:

1. This transaction was executed in multiple trades through a broker-dealer at prices ranging from \$107.00 - \$107.99. The price reported in this column reflects the weighted average sales price. Upon request, the reporting person will provide to the SEC staff full information regarding the number of shares sold at each price.

/s/ Joseph Madri

08/07/2012

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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