FORM 4

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

<b>TATEMENT</b>	<b>OF CHANGES</b>	IN BENEFICIAL	<b>OWNERSHIP</b>

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  SQUINTO STEPHEN P					<u>AI</u>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ALEXION PHARMACEUTICALS INC ALXN ]										tionship of Report all applicable) Director Officer (give title		10% Other		Owner (specify	
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ALEXION PHARMACEUTICALS INC 352 KNOTTER DRIVE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/10/2012										EVP, Research & Development						
(Street) CHESHI (City)			06410 Zip)		4. If	Ame	endment,	Date o	f Original	Filed	(Month/Da	ay/Ye	ear)		. Indivine)	Form	r Joint/Group n filed by One n filed by Mo on	e Reporting	Pers	on	
		Tabl	e I - Nor	-Deriv	ative	Se	curitie	s Acc	quired,	Dis	posed o	of, o	r Ben	efici	ally	Owne	ed				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transc Date (Month/L					2A. Deemed Execution D (ay/Year) if any (Month/Day)		n Date,	Code (	Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)		ties Acquired (A d Of (D) (Instr. 3,		(A) o 3, 4 a	r ınd	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	ct   ect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
						Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price		Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(11341. 4)				
Common Stock, par value \$.0001 per share 01/1					0/2012				S		562(1)		D	\$75		5 78,289		D			
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)  2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Da	ay/Year) R		Transaction Code (Instr. 3)		of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		n Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)  Amount or Numbe of Title Shares		ount nber	Deri Secu	Price of ivative surity str. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	D) ect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. These sales were made to cover withholding taxes immediately following the vesting of previously granted Restricted Stock.

/s/ Stephen Squinto

01/11/2012

\*\* 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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