FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Sinha Vikas</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ALEXION PHARMACEUTICALS INC [ ALXN ]									k all applic Directo	r 10% Ow (give title Other (sp		/ner		
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ALEXION PHARMACUETICALS, INC. 352 KNOTTER DRIVE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/02/2011									SVP, CFO					
(Street) CHESHIRE CT 06410  (City) (State) (Zip)					_   4.1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting Person												n		
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Common Stock, par value \$.0001 per share 02/02/									A		7,000 <sup>(1)</sup> A			\$0	<u> </u>	81,478		D		
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Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$85.31	02/02/2011			A		50,000		(2)	0	2/02/2021	Common Stock, par value \$.0001 per share	50,0	00	\$0	50,00	0	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Award of Restricted Stock Units pursuant to 2004 Incentive Plan. 50% vests on two year anniversary of grant date and 1/8 vests every six months thereafter.
- 2. 1/16 vests every three months following grant date.

/s/ Vikas Sinha

02/04/2011

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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