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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<u>SQUINTO S'</u>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ALEXION PHARMACEUTICALS INC</u> [ALXN]		tionship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)		
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ALEXION PHARMACEUTICALS INC 352 KNOTTER DRIVE		· · · ·	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/29/2008		EVP & Head of I	Research	
(Street) CHESHIRE (City)	CT (State)	06410 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indivi Line) X	idual or Joint/Group Filing Form filed by One Repo Form filed by More thar Person	orting Person	

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)			ransaction Dispo Code (Instr. 5)		Acquired (D) (Instr.	(A) or 3, 4 and	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1150.4)	
Common Stock, par value \$.0001 per share	10/29/2008		G	v	3,852	D	\$0 ⁽¹⁾	31,165	D		
Common Stock, par value \$.0001 per share	10/30/2008		G	v	3,852	D	\$0 ⁽²⁾	27,313	D		

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. Transa Code (8)		of Deriv Secur Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D)	erivative (Month/Day/Year) scurities quired) or sposed		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(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

1. Transfer to account held jointly with reporting person's spouse.

2. Bona fide gift of same shares.

/s/ Stephen Squinto

10/31/2008

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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