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FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

NOVARTIS AG			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol IDENIX PHARMACEUTICALS INC [IDIX]				C	Issuer (Check all applicable)					
(Last)	(First)	(First) (Middle) 3. Date of			of Earliest Transaction				Director 10% Owner				
LICHSTRASSE 35			(Month/Day/Year) 08/13/2010					Officer (give titleX Other (specify below) Indirect 10% owner					
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check					
				ith/Day/Year) 010)			Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person					
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(City)	(State) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned												
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) Execution any (Month/I			3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)				
Common Stock	08/13/2010			P	36,048	A	\$ 2.41	31,360,235	I	See footnote (1)			
Common Stock	08/13/2010			P	262	A	\$ 2.96	31,360,497	I	See footnote (1)			
Common Stock	08/13/2010			P	91	A	\$ 3.04	31,360,588	I	See footnote (1)			
Common Stock	08/13/2010			P	813	A	\$ 3.79	31,361,401	I	See footnote (1)			

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

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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. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)	.	ate	7. Title Amour Underl Securit (Instr.	nt of ying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

NOVARTIS AG

Indirect 10% owner LICHSTRASSE 35

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NOVARTIS PHARMA AG

X LICHSTRASSE 35 10% owner

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Signatures

/s/ Felix Eichhorn 09/16/2010

**Signature of Reporting Date

Person

/s/ Ramon

Zapata-Gomez 09/16/2010 **Signature of Reporting Date Person

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)

Reporting Owners 2

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These securities are owned directly by Novartis Pharma AG, a direct, wholly-owned subsidiary of Novartis AG. Novartis AG is an indirect beneficial owner of these securities. See attachment.

Remarks:

This amendment is made to correct the date of the transaction. All other information in the Form 4 filed on August 23, 2010 rethe same.

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