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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securiti (A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4	posed and 5 (A) or	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock, par value \$.0001 per share	11/16/2011		Code V M	Amount 40,000	(D)	Price \$ 11.92	117,882 <u>(1)</u>	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.0001 per	11/16/2011		M	32,766	A	\$ 22.9	150,648	D	

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Common							
Stock, par					\$		
value	11/16/2011	S	72,766	D	66.87	77,882	D
\$.0001 per					(2)		

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)			Derivative Expiration Date Securities (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Instr. 3, 4,		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 11.92	11/16/2011		M		40,000	10/11/2007	07/11/2017	Common Stock, par value \$.0001 per share	40,000
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 22.9	11/16/2011		M		32,766	04/28/2010	01/28/2020	Common Stock, par value \$.0001 per share	32,766

Reporting Owners

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Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

Coissac Patrice C/O ALEXION PHARMACEUTICALS, INC 352 KNOTTER DRIVE CHESHIRE, CT 06410

SVP & Pres. ALXN Pharma Int'l

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/s/ Patrice Coissac 11/18/2011

**Signature of Date
Reporting 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 person's ownership reflects the 2-for-1 common stock split effected by Alexion in the form of a dividend on May 20, 2011.
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades through a broker-dealer at prices ranging from \$66.45 \$67.32. 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.

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