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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad BVF PARTN	•	_	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			LIGAND PHARMACEUTICALS INC [LGND]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	DirectorX 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify			
900 N. MICHIGAN AVE., SUITE 1100			10/18/2011	below) below)			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person _X_ Form filed by More than One Reporting			
CHICAGO, IL 60611				Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I New Desiration Committee As	and Discussed of an Dansfield Ormad			

CHICAGO	Person											
(City)	(State)	able I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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. Securities Acquired (A) onor Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Price		5. Amount of Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
Common Stock	10/18/2011		P	500 (5) A	A	\$ 13.7341	605,553	I (1) (2)	See Explanation of Responses			
Common Stock	10/18/2011		P	300 (5) A	A	\$ 13.7341	371,000	I (1) (3)	See Explanation of Responses			
Common Stock	10/18/2011		P	1,400 A	A	\$ 13.7341	1,727,400	I (1) (4) (6)	See Explanation of			

								Responses
Common Stock	10/20/2011	P	2,700 (5)	A	\$ 13.9335	608,253	I (1) (2)	See Explanation of Responses
Common Stock	10/20/2011	P	1,600 (5)	A	\$ 13.9335	372,600	I (1) (3)	See Explanation of Responses
Common Stock	10/20/2011	P	7,600 (5)	A	\$ 13.9335	1,735,000	I (1) (4) (6)	See Explanation of Responses

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	onNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	int of	Derivative	Deriv
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					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
						Date	Expiration		or		
							•	Title	Number		
						2.1010104010	2		of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
and the state of t	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BVF PARTNERS L P/IL 900 N. MICHIGAN AVE., SUITE 1100 CHICAGO, IL 60611		X					
BIOTECHNOLOGY VALUE FUND L P 900 N. MICHIGAN AVE., SUITE 1100				See Explanation of Responses			

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BIOTECHNOLOGY VALUE FUND II LP

900 N. MICHIGAN AVE., SUITE 1100 See Explanation of Responses

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BVF INVESTMENTS LLC

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BVF INC/IL

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Signatures

BVF Partners L.P., By: BVF Inc., its GP, By: /s/ Mark N. Lampert, President 10/20/2011

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

BIOTECHNOLOGY VALUE FUND, L.P. By: BVF Partners L.P., its GP, By: BVF Inc., By:

/s/ Mark N. Lampert, President

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

BIOTECHNOLOGY VALUE FUND II, L.P., By: BVF Partners L.P., its GP, By: BVF Inc.,

By: /s/ Mark N. Lampert, President

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

BVF INVESTMENTS, L.L.C., By: BVF Partners L.P., its Manager, By: BVF Inc., By: /s/

Mark N. Lampert, President

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

BVF INC., By: /s/ Mark N. Lampert, President

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

Mark N. Lampert, By: /s/ Mark N. Lampert

10/20/2011

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**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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).

This Form 4 is filed jointly by Biotechnology Value Fund, L.P. ("BVF"), Biotechnology Value Fund II, L.P. ("BVF2"), BVF Investments, L.L.C. ("BVFLLC"), BVF Partners L.P. ("Partners"), BVF Inc., and Mark Lampert (collectively the "Reporting Persons"). Each of the

- (1) Reporting Persons may be deemed to be a member of a section 13G group that collectively owns more than 10% of the Issuer's oustanding shares of Common Stock. Each of the Reporting Persons disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares of Common Stock reported herein except to the extent of his or its pecuniary interest therein.
 - Represents shares of Common Stock owned directly by BVF. As the general partner of BVF, Partners may be deemed to beneficially own the shares of Common Stock owned directly by BVF. As the investment adviser and general partner of Partners, BVF Inc., may be
- (2) the snares of Common Stock owned directly by BVF. As the investment adviser and general partner of Partners, BVF Inc., may be deemed to beneficially own the shares of Common Stock owned directly by BVF. As a director and officer of BVF Inc., Mr. Lampert may be deemed to beneficially own the shares of Common Stock owned directly by BVF.
- (3) Represents shares of Common Stock owned directly by BVF2. As the general partner of BVF2, Partners may be deemed to beneficially own the shares of Common Stock owned directly by BVF2. As the investment adviser and general partner of Partners, BVF Inc., may be deemed to beneficially own the shares of Common Stock owned directly by BVF2. As a director and officer of BVF Inc., Mr. Lampert

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may be deemed to beneficially own the shares of Common Stock owned directly by BVF2.

- Represents shares of Common Stock owned directly by BVFLLC. As the manager of BVFLLC, Partners may be deemed to beneficially own the shares of Common Stock owned directly by BVFLLC. As the investment adviser and general partner of Partners, BVF Inc., may be deemed to beneficially own the shares of Common Stock owned directly by BVFLLC. As a director and officer of BVF Inc., Mr. Lampert may be deemed to beneficially own the shares of Common Stock owned directly by BVFLLC.
- (5) Units may represent aggregation of daily trade activity. Details regarding individual execution amounts and prices are available upon request
 - The shares of Common Stock are directly beneficially owned by BVF Investments, L.L.C., a Delaware limited liability company. Pursuant to the operating agreement of BVFLLC, BVF Partners, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership is authorized, among other things,
- (6) to invest the contributed capital of Samana Capital, L.P., the majority member of BVFLLC, in the shares of Common Stock and other securities and to vote, exercise or convert and dispose of such securities and is entitled to receive fess based on assets under management and, subject to certain exceptions, allocations based on realized and unrealized gains on such assets.

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