

SCHAFFER GREGORY W
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SCHAFFER GREGORY W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Nile Therapeutics, Inc. [NLTX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O NILE THERAPEUTICS,
 INC., 4 WEST 4TH AVENUE,
 SUITE 400
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 05/10/2011

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

SAN MATEO, CA 94402

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table 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)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock				(A) or (D) Price	100	D	

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)

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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. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount of Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 4.5					(1) 01/25/2018		Common Stock	60,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 0.93					01/01/2010 12/22/2018		Common Stock	35,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 1.77					07/21/2010 07/21/2019		Common Stock	80,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 0.37					07/26/2011 07/26/2020		Common Stock	100,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 0.73	05/10/2011		A	100,000	05/10/2012 05/10/2021		Common Stock	100,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SCHAFFER GREGORY W C/O NILE THERAPEUTICS, INC. 4 WEST 4TH AVENUE, SUITE 400 SAN MATEO, CA 94402		X		

Signatures

/s/ Daron Evans as Attorney-in-Fact for Gregory W. Schafer pursuant to Power of Attorney previously filed.

05/12/2011

__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).
- (1) Fully exercisable.

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