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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement RIGEL PHARMACEUTICALS INC [RIGL] Flynn James E (Month/Day/Year) 11/03/2010 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 780 THIRD AVENUE, Â 37TH (Check all applicable) **FLOOR** (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group _X__ 10% Owner Director Officer _X_ Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by One Reporting Possible Members of 10% Group Person NEW YORK, NYÂ 10017 _X_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Through Deerfield Partners, L.P. Common Stock **I** (1) 2,053,350 Through Deerfield International Common Stock $I^{(1)}$ 2,906,433 Limited (3) Through Deerfield Special I (1) Common Stock 424,417 Situations Fund, L.P. (2) Through Deerfield Special Common Stock $I^{(1)}$ Situations Fund International 690,800 Limited (3) Â Common Stock 25,000 D Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	•		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security			5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	(Instr. 4) Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships					
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Flynn James E 780 THIRD AVENUE 37TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017	Â	ÂΧ	Â	Possible Members of 10% Group			
DEERFIELD CAPITAL LP 780 THIRD AVENUE 37TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017	Â	ÂΧ	Â	Possible Members of 10% Group			
DEERFIELD PARTNERS, LP 780 THIRD AVENUE 37TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017	Â	ÂX	Â	Possible Members of 10% Group			
DEERFIELD MANAGEMENT CO /NY 780 THIRD AVENUE, 37TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017	Â	ÂX	Â	Possible Members of 10% Group			
DEERFIELD INTERNATIONAL LTD C/O CITI FUND SERVICES (BVI) LTD BISON COURT, PO BOX 3460, ROAD TOWN TORTOLA, D8Â	Â	ÂX	Â	Possible Members of 10% Group			
Deerfield Special Situations Fund, L.P. 780 3RD AVENUE 37TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017	Â	ÂX	Â	Possible Members of 10% Group			
Deerfield Special Situations Fund International LTD C/O CITI HEDGE FUND SERVICES (BVI) LTD BISON COURT, P.O. BOX 3460 ROAD TOWN, TORTOLA, D8 -	Â	ÂX	Â	Possible Members of 10% Group			

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Signatures

/s/ Darren Levine 11/05/2010

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) This Form 3 is being filed by the undersigned as well as the entities listed on the Joint Filer Information Statement attached as an exhibit hereto (the "Reporting Persons").
 - Deerfield Capital, L.P. is the general partner of Deerfield Partners, L.P. and Deerfield Special Situations Fund, L.P. (collectively, the "Domestic Funds"). James E. Flynn is the managing member of the general partner of Deerfield Capital, L.P. In accordance with
- (2) Instruction 5 (b)(iv) to Form 3, the entire amount of the Issuer's securities held by the Domestic Funds is reported herein. For purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, each Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of any such securities, except to the extent of his/its indirect pecuniary interest therein, if any, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that such Reporting Person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or otherwise.
 - Deerfield Management Company, L.P. is the investment manager of Deerfield International Limited and Deerfield Special Situations Fund International Limited (the "Offshore Funds"). James E. Flynn is the managing member of the general partner of Deerfield
- (3) Management Company, L.P. In accordance with Instruction 5(b)(iv) to Form 3, the entire amount of the Issuer's securities held by the Offshore Funds is reported herein. For purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, each Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of any such securities, except to the extent of his/its indirect pecuniary interest therein, if any, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that such Reporting Person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or otherwise.

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Remarks:

Darren Levine, Attorney-In-Fact : Power of Attorney is attached hereto as Exhibit 24

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