

Coissac Patrice  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
Coissac Patrice

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ALEXION PHARMACEUTICALS INC [ALXN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
(Check all applicable)  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
SVP & Pres. ALXN Pharma Int'l

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/23/2012

C/O ALEXION PHARMACEUTICALS, INC, 352 KNOTTER DRIVE

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

CHESHIRE, CT 06410

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
|   |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |  |
| Common Stock, par value \$.0001 per share | 02/23/2012                           |  | M                              | 90,000  | A \$ 17.65  | 175,882  | D  |
| Common Stock, par value \$.0001 per share | 02/23/2012                           |  | S                              | 90,000  | D \$ 85.03  | 85,882   | D  |

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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. 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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Option to Purchase Common Stock            | \$ 17.65   | 02/23/2012                           |  | M                              | 5,628   | 04/09/2008 07/09/2017                                    | Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share                    | 5,628                      |
| Option to Purchase Common Stock            | \$ 17.65   | 02/23/2012                           |  | M                              | 84,372  | 04/09/2008 07/09/2017                                    | Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share                    | 84,372                     |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                               |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                       | Other |
| Coissac Patrice<br>C/O ALEXION PHARMACEUTICALS, INC<br>352 KNOTTER DRIVE<br>CHESHIRE, CT 06410 |               |           | SVP & Pres. ALXN Pharma Int'l |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Patrice  
Coissac

02/24/2012

\*\*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 transaction was executed in multiple trades through a broker-dealer at prices ranging from \$84.81 - \$85.29. The price reported in this (1) 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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