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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Shah Gautam Issuer Symbol **ACHILLION** (Check all applicable) PHARMACEUTICALS INC [ACHN] Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction below) (Month/Day/Year) SVP and Chief Compliance Ofc. C/O ACHILLION 03/28/2011 PHARMACEUTICALS, 300 **GEORGE STREET** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

NEW HAVEN, CT 06511

(State)

(Zip)

(City)

Form filed by More than One Reporting Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	1		d of	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
						Following Reported	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
					(A) or		Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(msu. 5 and 4)		
Common Stock	03/28/2011		M	2,078	A	\$ 3.28	5,203	D	
Common Stock	03/28/2011		S	2,078	D	\$ 7	3,125	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)

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. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day)	ate	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
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 3.28	03/28/2011		M	2,078	<u>(1)</u>	12/18/2019	Common Stock	2,078

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Shah Gautam C/O ACHILLION PHARMACEUTICALS 300 GEORGE STREET NEW HAVEN, CT 06511

SVP and Chief Compliance Ofc.

Signatures

/s/ Gautam Shah 03/28/2011

**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) This option was granted on December 18, 2009 and vests over a four year period with 25% of the shares vesting on the first anniversary of the date of grant and an additional 6.25% vesting at the end of each three-month period thereafter.

Remarks:

The transactions reported on this Form 4 were executed pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by Mr. Shah on Decer Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

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