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obligation may conti <i>See</i> Instru 1(b).	Insue. Section 17(a) of the I	Public Ut		ing Com	ipany	Act of	e Act of 1934, f 1935 or Section 40	n		
(Print or Type R	lesponses)										
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Deshpande Milind			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ACHILLION PHARMACEUTICALS INC [ACHN]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
								(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First) (M	liddle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)				Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) President and CSO				
C/O ACHIL PHARMAC GEORGE S	EUTICALS, 300		03/15/20					Pres	Ident and CSO		
				ndment, Date Original th/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
NEW HAVE	EN, CT 06511							Form filed by M Person			
(City)	(State) (Zip)	Table	e I - Non-Do	erivative S	Securi	ties Acq	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Executio	Execution Date, if		4. Securi on(A) or Di (D) (Instr. 3,	ispose	d of	Beneficially Owned		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	03/15/2012			М	5,312	А	\$ 1.05	5,312	D		
Common Stock	03/15/2012			S	5,312	D	\$ 10.7	0	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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number onof Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	f Derivative Expiration Date ecurities (Month/Day/Year) Acquired A) or Disposed of D) Instr. 3, 4,		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8 I S (
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 1.05	03/15/2012		М	5,312	<u>(1)</u>	12/15/2018	Common Stock	5,312	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships						
		Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Deshpande Milind C/O ACHILLION PHARMACEUTICALS 300 GEORGE STREET NEW HAVEN, CT 06511				President and CSO				
Signatures								
/s/ Milind								
Deshpande	03/19/2012							
<u>**</u> 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) This option was granted on December 15, 2008 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.Deshpande on J Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure.

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