

Erwin Mark E.
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting
Person *

Erwin Mark E.
(Last) (First) (Middle)

6725 MESA RIDGE RD., STE.
100

(Street)

SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring
Statement

(Month/Day/Year)
10/20/2008

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ADVENTRX PHARMACEUTICALS INC [ANX]

4. Relationship of Reporting
Person(s) to Issuer

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

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
X Officer ____ Other
(give title below) (specify below)
Senior VP, Operations

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

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security
(Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities
Beneficially Owned
(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership
Form:
Direct (D)
or Indirect
(I)
(Instr. 5)

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
Ownership
(Instr. 5)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially
owned directly or indirectly.

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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)

2. Date Exercisable and
Expiration Date
(Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of
Securities Underlying
Derivative Security
(Instr. 4)

4. Conversion
or Exercise
Price of
Derivative
Security

5. Ownership
Form of
Derivative
Security:
Direct (D)
or Indirect
(I)

6. Nature of Indirect
Beneficial Ownership
(Instr. 5)

Date Expiration
Exercisable Date

Title Amount or
Number of
Shares

(Instr. 5)

Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â (1)	03/30/2018	Common Stock	150,000	\$ 0.54	D	Â
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Erwin Mark E. 6725 MESA RIDGE RD., STE. 100 SAN DIEGO, CA 92121	Â	Â	Â Senior VP, Operations	Â

Signatures

/s/ Mark E. Erwin	10/22/2008
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**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
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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) 1/5 of the total shares subject to the option vest and become exercisable on each of January 1, 2009, January 1, 2010, January 1, 2011, January 1, 2012 and January 1, 2013.

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