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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

Scheer David

1(b).

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

**ACHILLION** 

PHARMACEUTICALS INC

[ACHN]

(Last)

1. Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 12/18/2009

PHARMACEUTICALS, 300

NEW HAVEN, CT 06511

**GEORGE STREET** 

C/O ACHILLION

(Street)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

X\_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

Transaction(s)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Indirect Form: Direct (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I)

Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

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)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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)		8 1 9 (
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 3.28	12/18/2009		A	20,000	<u>(1)</u>	12/18/2019	Common Stock	20,000	

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
<b></b>	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Scheer David C/O ACHILLION PHARMACEUTICALS 300 GEORGE STREET NEW HAVEN, CT 06511	X					

# **Signatures**

/s/ Mary Kay Fenton, Attorney-in-fact for David Scheer

12/22/2009

\*\*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) The option grant vests as to 25% of the shares on the first anniversary of the date of grant and as to an additional 6.25% at the end of each three month period thereafter.

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