ALNYLAM PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

Form 4

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1(b).

(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 **NOVARTIS AG** Issuer Symbol **ALNYLAM**

PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

[ALNY]

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

> (Month/Day/Year) 09/20/2012

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Director X__ 10% Owner _Other (specify

(Check all applicable)

Officer (give title below)

LICHTSTRASSE 35

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Form filed by One Reporting Person _X_ Form filed by More than One Reporting

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Person

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

BASEL SWITZERLAND, V8 CH

(State)

09/20/2012

(Zip)

4002

(City)

Common

Stock

1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securities Acquired (A)	5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	oror Disposed of (D)	Securities	Ownership	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Beneficially	Form:	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		Owned	Direct (D)	Ownership
					Following	or Indirect	(Instr. 4)
				(4)	Reported	(I)	
				(A)	Transaction(s)	(Instr. 4)	

or Code V Amount (D) Price

D

1,551,896

4,051,002 19.42

See footnote (1)

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

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(Instr. 3 and 4)

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$\label{thm:convertible} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3,		ate	Amou Unde Secur	le and unt of rlying rities . 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secul Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
			Code V	4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

/s/ Andreas

/s/ Simone

/s/ Andreas

**Signature of

Reporting Person

**Signature of

Reporting Person

**Signature of

Reporting Person

Bohrer

Pfirter

Meier

Reporting Owner	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
NOVARTIS AG LICHTSTRASSE 35 BASEL SWITZERL		X				
NOVARTIS PHARM LICHTSTRASSE 35 BASEL SWITZERL	X					
Signatures						
/s/ Jonathan Symonds	09/24/2012					
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date					

09/24/2012

Date

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Date

Reporting Owners 2

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- * 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) These securities are owned directly by Novartis Pharma AG, a direct, wholly-owned subsidiary of Novartis AG. Novartis AG is an indirect beneficial owner of these securities.

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