Usdan Adam Form 3 March 23, 2009

FORM 3

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

OMB APPROVAL

OMB Number:

3235-0104

Expires:

response...

January 31, 2005

0.5

Estimated average burden hours per

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 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 *

À Trellus Management

Company, LLC

(First)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year) 10/16/2008

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ELITE PHARMACEUTICALS INC /DE/ [ELI]

(Last) (Middle)

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

350 MADISON AVENUE, 9TH FLOOR.Â

(Street)

Director Officer

__X__ 10% Owner Other

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting

Person

X Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

NEW YORK. NYÂ 10017

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

(Check all applicable)

(give title below) (specify below)

1. Title of Security

(Instr. 4)

Common Stock

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership Form:

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

Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

(Instr. 5) $I^{(1)}(2)$

See footnote (1)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially

owned directly or indirectly.

SEC 1473 (7-02) Persons who respond to the collection of

information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a

currently valid OMB control number.

1,205,107

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

5. Ownership Form of Derivative

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 5)

Derivative Security:

Edgar Filing: Usdan Adam - Form 3

	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Series D Convertible Preferred Stock	10/16/2008	(3)	Common Stock	22,000,000	\$ 0.2 (4)	I (1) (6)	See footnote (1)
Warrants	10/16/2008	09/15/2013	Common Stock	4,703,063	\$ 0.25 (5)	I (1) (7)	See footnote (1)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Trellus Management Company, LLC 350 MADISON AVENUE, 9TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017	Â	ÂX	Â	Â		
TRELLUS PARTNERS LP 350 MADISON AVENUE, 9TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017	Â	ÂX	Â	Â		
Trellus Offshore Fund Ltd 350 MADISON AVENUE, 9TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017	Â	ÂX	Â	Â		
Usdan Adam C/O TRELLUS MANAGEMENT COMPANY, LL 350 MADISON AVENUE, 9TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017	.C Â	ÂX	Â	Â		

Signatures

/s/ Anthony G. Miller, Chief Financial Officer of Trellus Management Company, LLC	03/16/2009		
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		
/s/ Anthony G. Miller, Chief Financial Officer of Trellus Partners, L.P.			
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		
/s/ Adam Usdan, Director of Trellus Offshore Fund Limited	03/16/2009		
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		
/s/ Adam Usdan	03/16/2009		
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		

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).
- Trellus Management Company, LLC ("Trellus") is the investment adviser to Trellus Partners, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("TPLP") and Trellus Offshore Fund Limited, a Cayman Islands exempted company ("TOF"). Adam Usdan is the controlling principal and chief investment officer of Trellus. By reason of their investment discretion, Trellus and Mr. Usdan are reported herein as indirect beneficial owners of the securities held by TPLP and TOF (as described in footnotes (2) (7) below).

Reporting Owners 2

Edgar Filing: Usdan Adam - Form 3

- On October 16, 2008, TPLP held 772,502 shares of Common Stock and TOF held 360,748 shares of Common Stock. Trellus and Mr. Usdan indirectly hold an additional 71,857 shares of Common Stock.
- (3) Not applicable.
- (4) Each share of Series D Convertible Preferred Stock is convertible into 5,000 shares of the Issuer's Common Stock at a price of at \$0.20 per share.
- (5) Each warrant represents the right to purchase one share of Common Stock at an exercise price of \$0.25 per share.
- On October 16, 2008, TPLP held 3,025 shares of Series D Convertible Preferred Stock (convertible into 15,125,000 shares of the Issuer's Common Stock) and TOF held 1,342 shares of Series D Convertible Preferred Stack (convertible into 6,710,000 shares of the Issuer's Common Stock). Trellus and Mr. Usdan indirectly hold an additional 33 shares of Series D Convertible Preferred Stock (convertible into 165,000 shares of the Issuer's Common Stock).
- (7) On October 16, 2008, TPLP held Warrants to acquire 3,291,426 shares of Common Stock and TOF held Warrants to acquire 1,377,758 shares of Common Stock. Trellus and Mr. Usdan indirectly hold Warrants to acquire an additional 33,879 shares of Common Stock.

Â

Remarks:

Each Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the reported securities except to the extent Â interest therein.

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.