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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * J.P. Morgan Ventures CORP

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

08/18/2008

ALPHARMA INC [ALO US]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

Director Officer (give title _X__ 10% Owner Other (specify

270 PARK AVENUE

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

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

Person

below)

NEW YORK, NY 10260-0060

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acquire	d, Disposed of, o	r Beneficially	Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit or Dispos (Instr. 3,	ed of	` '	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock, par value \$0.01/share	08/18/2008		S	8,300	D	\$ 24.2574	4,191,700	D	
Common Stock, par value \$0.01/share	08/18/2008		S	12,700	D	\$ 24.39	4,179,000	D	
Common Stock, par value \$0.01/share	08/19/2008		S	17,000	D	\$ 23.8363	4,162,000	D	

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	9
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transact	ionNumber	Expiration Da	ate	Amou	int of	Derivative	J
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	,
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)]
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					Disposed						7
					of (D)						(
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					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
									or		
						Date	Expiration	Title	Number		
						Exercisable	Date	Titic	of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		
				Code V	(II)				Dilaics		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer		

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

J.P. Morgan Ventures CORP 270 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10260-0060

X

Signatures

Keith Stephan 08/20/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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