CARLSSON CARL AKE

Form 4

March 20, 2006

FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CARLSSON CARL AKE

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ALPHARMA INC [ALO]

(Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

> (Month/Day/Year) 03/17/2006

(Street)

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title _ Other (specify below)

President, API

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

Person

HOVIK, Q8 1322

BATSTOJORDET 93

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly 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 corr Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of	(D)	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 A	03/17/2006		M	6,750	A	\$ 19.8	11,630	D	
Common Stock A	03/17/2006		S	6,750	D	\$ 27.088	4,880	D	
Common Stock A	03/17/2006		M	15,000	A	\$ 14.437	19,880	D	
Common Stock A	03/17/2006		S	15,000	D	\$ 27.088	4,880	D	
Common Stock A	03/17/2006		M	18,750	A	\$ 9.48	23,630	D	

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Common Stock A 03/17/2006 S 18,750 D \$ 4,880 D

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)

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. Transaction 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 Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.48	03/17/2006		M	18,750	<u>(1)</u>	10/31/2012	Common Stock A	18,7
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 14.437	03/17/2006		M	15,000	<u>(1)</u>	04/02/2012	Common Stock A	15,0
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 19.8	03/17/2006		M	6,750	<u>(1)</u>	03/08/2014	Common Stock A	6,7

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
CARLSSON CARL AKE							
BATSTOJORDET 93			President, API				
HOVIK, O8 1322							

Signatures

By: Robert Wrobel For: Carl Aake Carlsson 03/20/2006

**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).
- ** 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 options become exercisable at a rate of 25% on each of the four anniversary dates immediately following the date of grant.

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