

VAN NOSTRAND ROBERT L

Form 4

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FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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See Instruction
1(b).**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN 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 *
VAN NOSTRAND ROBERT L

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O ACHILLION
PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 300
GEORGE STREET

(Street)

NEW HAVEN, CT

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading
Symbol
ACHILLION
PHARMACEUTICALS INC
[ACHN]3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/14/20074. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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)
				(A) or (D)			
			Code	V	Amount		Price

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

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(9-02)**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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative 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. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 4.82	12/14/2007		A	15,000	<u>(1)</u> 12/14/2017	Common Stock	15,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

VAN NOSTRAND ROBERT L
C/O ACHILLION PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.
300 GEORGE STREET
NEW HAVEN, CT

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Signatures

/s/ Mary Kay Fenton, attorney-in-fact for Robert L. Van
Nostrand

12/18/2007

 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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