#### **MEGLASSON MARTIN**

Form 4

January 27, 2009

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

**MEGLASSON MARTIN** 

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

LIGAND PHARMACEUTICALS

INC [LGND]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X\_ Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year)

02/23/2008

V-P, Discovery Research

10275 SCIENCE CENTER DRIVE

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Director

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial

Ownership (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(Instr. 8)

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

5. Number of 4. **Transaction**Derivative Securities Code

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amour **Underlying Securit** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) Derivative or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Title Amo Exercisable Date or Num of Sh Non-Qualified

Reporting Owners

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Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

02/23/2008

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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MEGLASSON MARTIN 10275 SCIENCE CENTER DRIVE

V-P, Discovery Research

10,500

(1)

02/23/2018

Common

Stock

10,3

**Signatures** 

SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

**Stock Option** 

(right to buy)

By: John P. Sharp For: Martin D.
Meglasson

01/27/2009

\*\*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) Grant to reporting person of options are immediately exercisable. The date of grant is 02/23/08.

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