FINKLE R ANDREW

Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Add Finkle R. Andre			me and Tio		P	6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)							
(Last) c/o Triangle Pha 4611 University	of Reporting Person,					Statement for fonth/Day/Year 20/02	<u>X</u> C	Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Executive VP, General Counsel & Secretary					
(Street) Durham, NC 27707							D	If Amendment, ate of Original Month/Day/Year)	((<u>X</u> P	7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Di							sposed of, or Beneficially Owned			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	Execution Date,	3. Trans action C (Instr. 8 Code	Code	4. Securitie (A) or Disp (Instr. 3, 4 Amount	es Acqu oosed of	ired	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially		6. Owner- ship Form:	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial		
Common Stock									23,657(1)	D			

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

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	Derivative	sion or	Trans-	Deemed	Trans-	of	and Expiration	Amount of	Derivative	Derivative	Owner-	of Indirec	
	Security	Exercise	action	Execution	action	Derivative	Date	Underlying	Security	Securities	ship	Beneficia	
		Price of	Date	Date,	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/	Securities	(Instr. 5)	Beneficially	Form	Ownershi	
	(Instr. 3)	Derivative		if any		Acquired	Year)	(Instr. 3 & 4)		Owned	of Deriv-	(Instr. 4)	
		Security	(Month/	(Month/	(Instr.	(A) or				Following	ative		
			Day/	Day/	8)	Disposed of				Reported	Security:		
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^{*} If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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		Year)	Year)			(D) (Instr. 3, 4 & 5)							Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	Direct (D) or Indirect	
				Code				Date Exer-cisable	Expira- tion Date		Amount or Number of Shares			(I) (Instr. 4)	
Stock Options (rights to buy)	\$2.63	1/14/02		A	V	22,727		(2)		Common Stock		\$1.32			
Stock Options (rights to buy)	\$5.14	2/27/02		A	V	150,000		(3)	2/26/12	Common Stock	150,000				
Stock Options (rights to buy)	\$2.92	8/5/02		A	V	100,000		(4)	8/4/12	Common Stock	100,000				
Stock Options (rights to buy)	\$2.92	9/20/02		A		150,000		(5)	8/4/12	Common Stock	150,000		555,281	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Includes 7,826 shares of Common Stock acquired in 2002 under Triangle Pharmaceuticals, Inc.'s Employee Stock Purchase Plan. (2) Options granted pursuant to the Company's Salary Investment Option Grant Program. The options vest in twelve equal installments over
- each month in 2002.
- (3) The options vest and become exercisable as follows: 25% become exercisable after the completion of one year of service measured from the date of grant and the remainder become exercisable in equal monthly installments for thirty-six months thereafter (the "Standard Vesting Schedule"); provided, however: (i) upon the filing (i.e., acceptance for review by the FDA) of an NDA (application for marketing approval in the US) for Coviracil® (emtricitabine) for the treatment of HIV on or before December 31, 2002, 25% of the Options shall automatically accelerate and become fully exercisable as of the date of the acceptance of the NDA for review by the FDA; and (ii) upon the approval of the NDA for Coviracil® (emtricitabine) for the treatment of HIV on or before December 31, 2003, an additional 25% of the Options shall automatically accelerate and become fully exercisable as of the date of marketing approval, if such options had not already become exercisable under the Standard Vesting Schedule.
- (4) The options vest and become exercisable as follows: 25% on the first anniversary of the date of grant, and the remaining 75% thereafter in a series of 36 equal monthly installments.
- (5) The options vest and become exercisable as follows: 25% on August 5, 2003, and the remaining 75% thereafter in a series of 36 equal monthly installments.

By: /s/ R. Andrew Finkle R. Andrew Finkle Date **Signature of Reporting Person

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