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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

1(b).

See Instruction

Williamson Robert F III Issuer Symbol Pharmasset Inc [VRUS] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify 303-A COLLEGE ROAD EAST 01/12/2012 below)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

PRINCETON, NJ 08540

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 7,000 01/12/2012 U D 137 Stock

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)

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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. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) 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) | |
|---|---|---|---|---|-----------|--|--------------------|---|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount Number Shares |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 1.94 | 01/12/2012 | | D | 13,333.33 | (2) | 05/24/2016 | Common Stock | 13,333 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 1.94 | 01/12/2012 | | D | 16,000 | (3) | 05/24/2016 | Common Stock | 16,00 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 2.01 | 01/12/2012 | | D | 13,333.33 | <u>(4)</u> | 11/07/2016 | Common Stock | 13,333 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 6.84 | 01/12/2012 | | D | 20,000 | <u>(5)</u> | 10/10/2017 | Common Stock | 20,00 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 10.1 | 01/12/2012 | | D | 20,000 | <u>(6)</u> | 07/16/2018 | Common Stock | 20,00 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 9.3 | 01/12/2012 | | D | 40,000 | <u>(7)</u> | 10/29/2018 | Common Stock | 40,00 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 10.83 | 01/12/2012 | | D | 40,000 | <u>(8)</u> | 10/14/2019 | Common Stock | 40,00 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 16.17 | 01/12/2012 | | D | 40,000 | <u>(9)</u> | 10/14/2020 | Common Stock | 40,00 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 83.52 | | | | | (10) | 10/11/2021 | Common Stock | 15,00 |

Reporting Owners

Relationships

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director Owner Officer Other

Williamson Robert F III
303-A COLLEGE ROAD EAST X
PRINCETON, NJ 08540

Signatures

/s/ Bryce A. Roberts, Attorney in Fact for Robert F. Williamson III

01/17/2012

**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).
- Represents shares of time vesting restricted stock, reflecting the two-for-one stock split of the Issuer's common stock effective August (1) 31, 2011 (the "Split"), which became unrestricted and eligible for tender pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger between the Issuer and Gilead Sciences, Inc. (the "Merger Agreement").
- These options, which reflect the Split and which vested as to 25% on the date of the grant (May 24, 2006), as to 25% on the first anniversary thereof, and as to an additional 6.25% quarterly thereafter for the following two years, were cancelled pursuant to the Merger Agreement in exchange for a cash payment of \$135.06 per share, representing the difference between the exercise price of the options and \$137.00 per share.
- These options, which reflect the Split and which vested on the date of grant (May 24, 2006), were cancelled pursuant to the Merger (3) Agreement in exchange for a cash payment of \$135.06 per share, representing the difference between the exercise price of the options and \$137.00 per share.
- These options, which reflect the Split and which vested as to 25% on the date of grant (November 7, 2006), as to 25% on the first anniversary thereof, and as to an additional 6.25% quarterly thereafter for the following two years, were cancelled pursuant to the Merger Agreement in exchange for a cash payment of \$134.99 per share, representing the difference between the exercise price of the options and \$137.00 per share.
- These options, which reflect the Split and which vested as to 25% on the date of grant (October 10, 2007), as to 25% on the first anniversary thereof, and as to an additional 6.25% quarterly thereafter for the following two years, were cancelled pursuant to the Merger Agreement in exchange for a cash payment of \$130.16 per share, representing the difference between the exercise price of the options and \$137.00 per share.
- These options, which reflect the Split and which vested as to 25% on the date of grant (July 16, 2008), as to 25% on the first anniversary thereof, and as to an additional 6.25% quarterly thereafter for the following two years, were cancelled pursuant to the Merger Agreement in exchange for a cash payment of \$126.90 per share, representing the difference between the exercise price of the options and \$137.00 per share.
- These options, which reflect the Split and which vested as to 25% on the date of grant (October 29, 2008), as to 25% on the first anniversary thereof, and as to an additional 6.25% quarterly thereafter for the following two years, were cancelled pursuant to the Merger Agreement in exchange for a cash payment of \$127.70 per share, representing the difference between the exercise price of the options and \$137.00 per share.
- These options, which reflect the Split and which provided for vesting as to 25% on the date of grant (October 14, 2009), as to 25% on the first anniversary thereof, and as to an additional 6.25% quarterly thereafter for the following two years, became fully vested and were cancelled pursuant to the Merger Agreement in exchange for a cash payment of \$126.17 per share, representing the difference between the exercise price of the options and \$137.00 per share.
- These options, which reflect the Split and which provided for vesting as to 25% on the date of grant (October 14, 2010), as to 25% on the first anniversary thereof, and as to an additional 6.25% quarterly thereafter for the following two years, became fully vested and were cancelled pursuant to the Merger Agreement in exchange for a cash payment of \$120.83 per share, representing the difference between the exercise price of the options and \$137.00 per share.

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These options, which provided for vesting as to 25% on the date of grant (October 11, 2011), as to 25% on the first anniversary thereof, and as to an additional 6.25% quarterly thereafter for the following two years, became fully vested and were cancelled pursuant to the Merger Agreement in exchange for a cash payment of \$53.48 per share, representing the difference between the exercise price of the options and \$137.00 per share.

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