

TIDMARSH GEORGE F  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 TIDMARSH GEORGE F

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 LA JOLLA PHARMACEUTICAL CO [LJPC.QB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 4370 LA JOLLA VILLAGE DRIVE,  
 SUITE 400  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 04/10/2012

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 President and CEO

SAN DIEGO, CA 92122

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	04/10/2012		A		1,180,442	A	\$ 0
					1,180,442	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)**

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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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 0.06	04/10/2012		A	383,530,683	Date Exercisable <u>(1)</u> Expiration Date 04/10/2022	Title  Common Stock  Amount Number Shares 383,530,683

**Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
TIDMARSH GEORGE F 4370 LA JOLLA VILLAGE DRIVE, SUITE 400 SAN DIEGO, CA 92122	X		President and CEO	

**Signatures**

By: /s/ George F. Tidmarsh                          04/12/2012

         \*\*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).
  - (1) The options shall vest and become exercisable with respect to one-quarter of the underlying shares on January 19, 2013 and, with respect to the remaining shares, monthly thereafter over the next three years.
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