Vaishnaw Akshay Form 4 August 14, 2018

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *_ Vaishnaw Akshay			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
			ALNYLAM PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.	(Check all applicable)		
(Last) 300 THIRD	(First) STREET	(Middle)	[ALNY] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/10/2018	Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) President, R&D		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)		
CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139				_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - No	n-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code	V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	08/13/2018		A(1)		1,724	A	\$ 0	12,939	D	
Common Stock	08/13/2018		F		766	D	\$ 90.95	12,173	D	
Common Stock	04/16/2018		J(2)	V	28	A	\$ 0 (2)	366	I	by Managed Account (2)
Common Stock	07/10/2018		J(2)	V	29	A	\$ 0 (2)	395	I	by Managed Account (2)

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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 (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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amoun Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Performance Based Stock Option 2013 (right to buy)	\$ 63	08/10/2018		A(3)	10,832	08/10/2018	12/18/2023	Common Stock	10,8
Performance Based Stock Option 2014 (right to buy)	\$ 96.45	08/10/2018		A <u>(4)</u>	11,707	08/10/2018	12/17/2024	Common Stock	11,7

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
·F. · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Vaishnaw Akshay 300 THIRD STREET CAMBRIDGE MA 02139			President, R&D					

Signatures

/s/ Michael P. Mason, Attorney-in-Fact for Akshay K. Vaishnaw 08/14/2018

**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) On January 4, 2016, the reporting person was granted a restricted stock unit (RSU) to purchase shares of ALNY common stock. The shares subject to release vest upon the commercial launch of Alnylams first internally developed product, as approved by our compensation committee. Effective August 13, 2018, the compensation committee of the Company determined the performance criterion

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has been met and the RSU shares have vested.

- (2) Reflects shares of ALNY common stock acquired by the reporting person under the ALNY 401(k) plan as a result of the ALNY 401(k) matching contribution program.
- On December 18, 2013, the reporting person was granted a performance based stock option to purchase shares of ALNY Common Stock.

 One-third of the shares subject to the option will vest upon the achievement of each of three specific clinical development and regulatory events, as approved by our compensation committee. Effective August 10, 2018, the compensation committee of the Company determined the final performance criteria had been met and the option will vest as to the final third of the award.
- On December 17, 2014, the reporting person was granted a performance based stock option to purchase shares of ALNY Common Stock.

 One-third of the shares subject to the option will vest upon the achievement of each of three specific clinical development and regulatory events, as approved by our compensation committee. Effective August 10, 2018, the compensation committee of the Company determined the final performance criteria had been met and the option vested as to the final third of the award.

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