Instruction 1(b).

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* CRAIG WILLIAM S					<u>C</u>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CADENCE PHARMACEUTICALS INC [CADX]								(Ched	ck all applic	able)	g Pers	son(s) to Iss 10% Ow Other (s	vner	
(Last)	(F	irst)	(Middle)		<u> </u>									X	below)			below)	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	
C/O CADENCE PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/18/2008										S	VP				
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					_ 4. 1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street) SAN DII	EGO C.	A	92130											X		,	•	orting Person		
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)		-										Person					
		Tab	le I - Nor	n-Deri	vativ	e Se	curities	s Ac	quired, D	isp	osed o	f, or Be	enefic	ially	Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date (Month/D				Execution I		Date,	Code (In:			red (A) (str. 3, 4	or and	5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F	s illy ollowing	Form (D) or	ownership m: Direct or Indirect Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership				
									Code	,	Amount	(A) (D)	Pri	ce	Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			(Instr. 4)	
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Yea	Date,	4. Transactio Code (Inst 8)				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amou of Securities Underlying Derivative Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)			3. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		xpiration ate	Title	Amor or Numl of Share	oer						
Stock Option (right to	\$6.01	03/18/2008			A		50,000		(1)	03	3/17/2018	Common Stock	50,0	00	(2)	50,000)	D		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. 25% of the number of shares of common stock subject to the option vest one year after the date of grant, and 1/48th of the original number of shares of common stock subject to the option vest on the first day of each full month thereafter.
- 2. Not applicable to this transaction.

Remarks:

Hazel M. Aker Attorney-in-fact 03/20/2008

** Signature of Reporting Person

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

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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