FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* SIMONTON PAMELA A							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol EXELIXIS INC [EXEL]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify				
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O EXELIXIS, INC. 170 HARBOR WAY, PO BOX 511						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/03/2006								SVP, Patents & Licensing					
(Street) SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO X1 94083-0511						f Ame	ndme	nt, Date	of Origin	al File	ed (Month/Da	Line	6. 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)																			
		Tab	le I - N	on-Deri	vativ	e Se	curit	ies Ad	quirec	l, Di	sposed o	f, or Be	neficial	ly Owned	I				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transacti Date (Month/Day)						Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) of Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			Benefic Owned	es ially Following	6. Owne Form: D (D) or In (I) (Instr	Direct C ndirect E r. 4)	. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reporte Transac (Instr. 3	tion(s)		1	Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 04/03/20							006				5,000	A	\$6.15	5,	000	D			
Common	Stock	/2006	006			M		5,000	A	\$6.45	10	,000	D						
Common Stock 04/03/20							006				10,000	D	\$11.897	78	0)		
Common Stock														2,256(2)		I	. 4	By 401(k) Plan	
		-	Table II								posed of, convertil			Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Date (Month/Day/Year) if	Execution if any			action (Instr.	on of		6. Date Exercis. Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea		e	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		Or Fo Di or (I)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisa	ble	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Option (right to buy)	\$6.15	04/03/2006			M			5,000	12/10/20	03 ⁽³⁾	12/09/2013	Common Stock	5,000	\$0.00	40,000		D		
Option (right to buy)	\$6.45	04/03/2006			M			5,000	01/29/20	03 ⁽³⁾	01/28/2013	Common Stock	5,000	\$0.00	40,000		D		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The sales reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on March 22, 2006.
- 2. Represent shares in the Exelixis stock fund based on a plan statement dated April 3, 2006.
- 3. Options granted pursuant to Issuer's 2000 Equity Incentive Plan. Twenty-five percent (25%) of the shares vest one year from the grant date, and the remaining shares vest in 36 equal monthly installments

Remarks:

/s/ Christoph Pereira, Attorney in Fact

04/04/2006

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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