

ZWANZIGER RON  
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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 \*  
ZWANZIGER RON

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ALERE INC. [ALR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
51 SAWYER ROAD, SUITE 200  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
11/21/2011

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Chairman, CEO & President

WALTHAM, MA 02453

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(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	11/21/2011		M	65,000 A \$ 17.15	525,859 <sup>(8)</sup>	D	
Common Stock	11/21/2011		M	9,200 A \$ 13.54	1,779,109	I	See Footnote <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock	11/21/2011		M	27,594 A \$ 18.12	1,806,696	I	See Footnote <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock					2,600 <sup>(3)</sup>	I	See Footnote <sup>(4)</sup>

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Common Stock	9,450 <sup>(3)</sup>	I	See Footnote <u>(5)</u>
Common Stock	191,830 <sup>(3)</sup>	I	See Footnote <u>(6)</u>
Common Stock	488,991 <sup>(11)</sup> <u>(12)</u>	I	See Footnote <u>(7)</u>
Common Stock	273,500 <sup>(8)</sup> <u>(11)</u>	I	See Footnote <u>(9)</u>
Common Stock	224,276 <sup>(12)</sup>	I	See Footnote <u>(10)</u>

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)

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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.15	11/21/2011		M	65,000	12/20/2001	12/19/2011	Common Stock	65,000
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.54	11/21/2011		M	9,200	09/20/2002	09/20/2012	Common Stock	9,200
	\$ 18.12	11/21/2011		M	27,594	12/20/2001	12/20/2011		27,594

Employee  
Stock  
Option  
(Right to  
Buy)

Common  
Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ZWANZIGER RON 51 SAWYER ROAD, SUITE 200 WALTHAM, MA 02453	X		Chairman, CEO & President	

## Signatures

/s/ Ron  
Zwanziger

11/22/2011

\*\*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) This derivative security does not have a price.
- (2) These securities are owned by Zwanziger Family Ventures, LLC, an LLC managed by the reporting person and the reporting person's spouse.
- (3) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 for any purpose.
- (4) These securities are owned by the reporting person's spouse.
- (5) These securities are owned by a private charitable foundation where the reporting person and the reporting person's spouse along with three others serve as directors on the board. The reporting person and his spouse have recused themselves from any discussion or consideration of the charitable foundation's disposition of these securities.
- (6) These securities are owned by the Zwanziger Family Trust for the benefit of the reporting person's children. The reporting person's sister is the trustee.
- (7) These securities are owned by the Zwanziger 2009 Annuity Trust for which the reporting person is a trustee.
- (8) Reflects distribution of 82,939 shares to the Ron Zwanziger 2004 Revocable Trust for which the reporting person is the trustee.
- (9) These securities are owned by The Ron Zwanziger 2004 Revocable Trust for which the reporting person is the trustee.
- (10) These securities are owned by The Zwanziger Family 2004 Irrevocable Trust. The reporting person's sister is the trustee.
- (11) Reflects distribution of 190,561 shares from the Zwanziger 2009 Annuity Trust.
- (12) Reflects distribution of 224,276 shares from the Zwanziger 2009 Annuity Trust.

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