

NIGALAYE ASHOK G
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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 *
NIGALAYE ASHOK G

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
ELITE PHARMACEUTICALS INC /NV/ [eltp]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
C/O EPIC PHARMA, LLC, 227-15 NORTH CONDUIT AVENUE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/21/2012

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Chief Scientific Officer

(Street)
LAURELTON, NY 11413

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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)
Common Stock	02/21/2012		C(1)	52,845,528 A	\$ 0 (1) 56,229,667 (3)	I (2)	see footnote (2)

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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Series E Convertible Preferred Stock	\$ 0.0246	02/21/2012		C	1,300	02/21/2012	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	52,845,52

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
NIGALAYE ASHOK G C/O EPIC PHARMA, LLC 227-15 NORTH CONDUIT AVENUE LAURELTON, NY 11413	X	X	Chief Scientific Officer	

Signatures

Ashok G.
Nigalaye

02/24/2012

**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) Conversion of Series E Preferred Stock of issuer at the rate of approximately 40,650.41 shares of common for each share of such preferred stock.
- (2) Ashok G. Nigalaye is an equity owner and executive officer of each of Epic Pharma, LLC ("EP"), and Epic Investments, LLC ("EI") (which is controlled by EP), which owns securities convertible into or exercisable for in excess of 10% of the outstanding shares of common stock of the issuer, and also serves as a director of the issuer.
- (3) Of the 56,229,667 shares of common stock, 55,821,718 shares of common stock are owned indirectly through EI and 407,949 shares are owned directly by the reporting person.
- (4) N/A

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