

LIGAND PHARMACEUTICALS INC
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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 *
 Sharp John P

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 LIGAND PHARMACEUTICALS INC [LGND]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 11119 NORTH TORREY PINES ROAD, SUITE 200
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/12/2014

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 VP Finance and CFO

LA JOLLA, CA 92037

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

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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)			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	02/12/2014		M			1,166	A	\$ 21	18,833	D	
Common Stock	02/12/2014		S			1,166	D	\$ 74.27	17,667	D	
Common Stock	02/12/2014		M			16,666	A	\$ 16.14	34,333	D	
Common Stock	02/12/2014		S			16,666	D	\$ 74.27	17,667	D	
Common Stock	02/12/2014		M			1,000	A	\$ 16.14	18,667	D	

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Common Stock	02/12/2014	S	1,000	D	\$ 74.27	17,667	D
Common Stock	02/12/2014	M	8,333	A	\$ 40.86	26,000	D
Common Stock	02/12/2014	S	8,333	D	\$ 75.73	17,667	D
Common Stock	02/12/2014	M	7,321	A	\$ 21	24,988	D
Common Stock	02/12/2014	S	7,321	D	\$ 74.27	17,667	D
Common Stock	02/12/2014	M	6,012	A	\$ 21	23,679	D
Common Stock	02/12/2014	S	6,012	D	\$ 75.73	17,667	D
Common Stock	02/12/2014	M	6,086	A	\$ 10.05	23,753	D
Common Stock	02/12/2014	S	6,086	D	\$ 74.27	17,667	D
Common Stock	02/12/2014	M	10,789	A	\$ 10.05	28,456	D
Common Stock	02/12/2014	S	10,789	D	\$ 75.73	17,667	D
Common Stock	02/12/2014	M	2,879	A	\$ 14.47	20,546	D
Common Stock	02/12/2014	S	2,879	D	\$ 75.73	17,667	D
Common Stock	02/12/2014	M	14,622	A	\$ 14.47	32,289	D
Common Stock	02/12/2014	S	14,622	D	\$ 74.27	17,667	D
Common Stock	02/12/2014	M	4,584	A	\$ 21.92	22,251	D
Common Stock	02/12/2014	S	4,584	D	\$ 74.27	17,667	D
Common Stock	02/12/2014	M	7,495	A	\$ 9.96	25,162	D
Common Stock	02/12/2014	S	7,495	D	\$ 74.27	17,667	D

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	
					V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 10.05	02/12/2014	02/12/2014	M		10,789	(1)	02/17/2021	Common Stock	10,789
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 14.47	02/12/2014	02/12/2014	M		2,879	(2)	02/09/2022	Common Stock	2,879
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.14	02/12/2014	02/12/2014	M		16,666	(3)	02/15/2019	Common Stock	16,666
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21	02/12/2014	02/12/2014	M		7,321	(4)	02/23/2018	Common Stock	7,321
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21	02/12/2014	02/12/2014	M		6,012	(4)	02/23/2018	Common Stock	6,012
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 40.86	02/12/2014	02/12/2014	M		8,333	(5)	04/30/2017	Common Stock	8,333
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.96	02/12/2014	02/12/2014	M		7,495	(6)	02/15/2020	Common Stock	7,495
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 10.05	02/12/2014	02/12/2014	M		6,086	(1)	02/21/2021	Common Stock	6,086
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 14.47	02/12/2014	02/12/2014	M		14,622	(2)	02/09/2022	Common Stock	14,622
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 16.14	02/12/2014	02/12/2014	M		1,000	(7)	02/15/2019	Common Stock	1,000

(right to buy)

Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21	02/12/2014	02/12/2014	M	1,166	<u>(4)</u>	02/23/2018	Common Stock	1,1
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Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.92	02/12/2014	02/12/2014	M	4,584	<u>(8)</u>	02/15/2023	Common Stock	4,5
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Sharp John P 11119 NORTH TORREY PINES ROAD, SUITE 200 LA JOLLA, CA 92037			VP Finance and CFO	

Signatures

John P. Sharp 02/14/2014

__Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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

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- (1) Grant to reporting person of options, exercisable over a 4-year period measured from the date of grant, 12-1/2% after six months, then 1/48th of the Option Shares per month thereafter. The date of grant is 02/17/11.
- (2) Grant to reporting person of options, exercisable over a 4-year period measured from the date of grant, 12-1/2% after six months, then 1/48th of the Option Shares per month thereafter. The date of grant is 02/09/12.
- (3) Grant to reporting person of options, exercisable over a 4-year period measured from the date of grant, 12-1/2% after six months, then 1/48th of the Option Shares per month thereafter. The date of grant is 2/15/09.
- (4) Grant to reporting person of options, exercisable over a 4-year period measured from the date of grant, 12-1/2% after six months, then 1/48th of the Option Shares per month thereafter. The date of grant is 2/23/08.
- (5) Grant to reporting person of options, exercisable over a 4-year period measured from the date of grant, 12-1/2% after six months, then 1/48th of the Option Shares per month thereafter. The date of grant is 4/30/07.
- (6) Grant to reporting person of options, exercisable over a 4-year period measured from the date of grant, 12-1/2% after six months, then 1/48th of the Option Shares per month thereafter. The date of grant is 02/15/10.
- (7) Grant to reporting person of options are immediately exercisable. The date of grant is 02/15/09.
- (8) Grant to reporting person of options, exercisable over a 4-year period measured from the date of grant, 12-1/2% after six months, then 1/48th of the Option Shares per month thereafter. The date of grant is 02/15/13.

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