Evans Daron Form 4 February 17, 2010

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

SECURITIES

Washington, D.C. 20549 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **Evans Daron**

> (Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O NILE THERAPEUTICS. INC., 115 SANSOME STREET, **SUITE #310**

(Street)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Issuer Symbol

Nile Therapeutics, Inc. [NLTX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/15/2010

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Director

below)

_X__ Officer (give title

(Check all applicable)

Chief Financial Officer

10% Owner Other (specify

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(City)	(State) (2	Table Table	e I - Non-D	- 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities onAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Price	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					13,152	D				
Common Stock					10,200	I	By Spouse			
Common Stock					200	I	By Daughter			
Common Stock					200	I	By Son			

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	()	6. Date Exerci Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y			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	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 0.89	02/15/2010		A	42,500 (1)		06/24/2009	06/24/2019	Common Stock	67,500	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 2.71						<u>(2)</u>	09/17/2017	Common Stock	169,797	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 2.71						(3)	09/17/2017	Common Stock	239,899	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 0.88						01/16/2009	01/15/2019	Common Stock	49,020	
Warrant (Right to Buy)	\$ 1.25						07/07/2009	07/07/2014	Common Stock	988	
Warrant (Right to Buy)	\$ 1.71						07/07/2009	07/07/2014	Common Stock	988	
Warrant (Right to Buy)	\$ 2.28						07/07/2009	07/07/2014	Common Stock	1,976	

Reporting Owners

Relationships

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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Evans Daron C/O NILE THERAPEUTICS, INC. 115 SANSOME STREET, SUITE #310 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94104

Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

/s/ Daron Evans 02/17/2010

**Signature of Date

Reporting Person

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).

On June 24, 2009, the Reporting Person was granted an option to purchase up to 100,000 shares of common stock of the Issuer, 25,000 of which were immediately exercisable. 50,000 of the shares subject to the option are based on the achievement of certain performance milestones (or a pro rata portion thereof for a five-month period of such milestones) following the date of grant. On February 15, 2010,

- the Reporting Person's right to purchase 42,500 shares of such 50,000-share installment vested based on the achievement of such milestones; the remaining 7,500 shares of such installment were forfeited. Vesting of the final 25,000 shares of the total grant are subject to certain other performance milestones (or a pro rata portion thereof), which have not yet been achieved.
 - On September 17, 2007, the Reporting Person was granted an option to purchase up to 288,458 shares of common stock of the Issuer. Up to 33.33% of the shares subject to the option may vest annually (or a pro rata portion thereof for a period of less than a full year) based on the achievement of certain performance milestones for each year (or a pro rata portion thereof for a period of less than a full year)
- following the date of grant as determined by the Board of Directors of the Issuer (the "Performance Options"). On January 19, 2010, the Issuer's Board of Directors determined that the Performance Options for the period ending December 31, 2009, would vest in the amount of 12,500 shares.
- (3) The option vests in three equal installments on January 18, 2008, January 18, 2009, and January 18, 2010.

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