BRIDGEN JOHN
Form 4
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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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See Instruction
1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BRIDGEN JOHN	2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol ALERE INC. [ALR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	(Check all applicable)
51 SAWYER ROAD, SUITE 200	07/19/2012	_____ Director _____ 10% Owner __X__ Officer (give title _____ Other (specify below) below) VP, Strategic Business Develop
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person ___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
WALTHAM, MA 02453		
(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	07/19/2012(2)		M		4,752	A	$ 11.75	7,385	D	
Common Stock	07/19/2012(2)		S		4,752	D	$ 20	2,633	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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)	$ 11.75	07/19/2012 (2)		M		4,752		09/20/2006	09/20/2012	Common Stock	4,752

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BRIDGEN JOHN 51 SAWYER ROAD, SUITE 200 WALTHAM, MA 02453			VP, Strategic Business Develop	

Signatures

/s/ John Bridgen PhD	07/20/2012
**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) This derivative security does not have a price.

(2) The transactions reported on this Form were made pursuant to a written 10b5-1 trading plan adopted in accordance with SEC Rule 10b5-1. Represents same day exercise and sale of expiring stock options.

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