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You are cordially invited to attend the 2012 Annual Meeting of Stockholders of Momenta Pharmaceuticals, Inc. to be held at 10:30 a.m., local time, on Wednesday, June 13, 2012, at the Cambridge Marriott, 50 Broadway, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02142.

The Notice of Meeting and Proxy Statement on the following pages describe the matters to be presented at the meeting.

It is important that your shares be represented at this meeting to assure the presence of a quorum. Whether or not you plan to attend the meeting, we hope that you will have your stock represented by voting your shares over the Internet or by telephone as provided in the instructions set forth on the enclosed proxy card, or by completing, signing, dating and returning your proxy in the enclosed envelope, *as soon as possible*. Your stock will be voted in accordance with the instructions you have given in your proxy.

Thank you for	or vour	continuea	support.

Sincerely,

Craig A. Wheeler

President and Chief Executive Officer

# MOMENTA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 675 West Kendall Street Cambridge, Massachusetts 02142

#### NOTICE OF 2012 ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

To Be Held	l on June	13, 2012
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 2012 Annual Meeting of Stockholders of Momenta Pharmaceuticals, Inc., or the Annual Meeting, will be held on Wednesday, June 13, 2012 at 10:30 a.m., local time, at the Cambridge Marriott, 50 Broadway, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02142. At the Annual Meeting, stockholders will consider and vote on the following matters:

- 1. to elect three members to our board of directors to serve as Class II directors, each for a term of three years;
- 2. to ratify the selection by the audit committee of our board of directors of Ernst & Young LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the year ending December 31, 2012; and
- 3. to vote on an advisory resolution to approve the compensation of our named executive officers.

The stockholders will also act on any other business that may properly come before the Annual Meeting or any adjournment thereof.

Stockholders of record at the close of business on Monday, April 16, 2012 are entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the Annual Meeting or any adjournment thereof. Your vote is important regardless of the number of shares you own. A complete list of such stockholders will be open to the examination of any stockholder at our principal executive offices at 675 West Kendall Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02142, during ordinary business hours, for a period of ten days prior to the Annual Meeting as well as on the day of the Annual Meeting. The Annual Meeting may be adjourned from time to time without notice other than by announcement at the Annual Meeting.

We hope that all stockholders will be able to attend the Annual Meeting in person. However, to ensure that a quorum is present at the Annual Meeting, please vote your shares over the Internet or by telephone as provided in the instructions set forth on the enclosed proxy card, or complete, date, sign and promptly return the enclosed proxy card whether or not you expect to attend the Annual Meeting. A postage-prepaid envelope, addressed to Broadridge Financial Solutions, which is serving as proxy tabulator, has been enclosed for your convenience. If you attend the Annual Meeting in person, your proxy will, upon your written request, be returned to you and you may vote your shares in person.

All stockholders are cordially invited to attend the Annual Meeting.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

Bruce A. Leicher Secretary

Cambridge, Massachusetts May 1, 2012

WHETHER OR NOT YOU EXPECT TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL MEETING, PLEASE VOTE YOUR SHARES OVER THE INTERNET OR BY TELEPHONE AS PROVIDED IN THE INSTRUCTIONS SET FORTH ON THE ENCLOSED PROXY CARD, OR COMPLETE, DATE AND SIGN THE ENCLOSED PROXY CARD AND PROMPTLY MAIL IT IN THE ENCLOSED ENVELOPE TO ASSURE REPRESENTATION OF YOUR SHARES AT THE ANNUAL MEETING. NO POSTAGE NEED BE AFFIXED IF THE PROXY CARD IS MAILED WITHIN THE UNITED STATES.

MOMENTA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 675 WEST KENDALL STREET CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02142

#### PROXY STATEMENT

For the 2012 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held on Wednesday, June 13, 2012

This proxy statement and the enclosed proxy card are being furnished in connection with the solicitation of proxies by the board of directors of Momenta Pharmaceuticals, Inc., also referred to in this proxy statement as the "Company", "Momenta", "we" or "us", for use at the 2012 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, or the Annual Meeting, to be held on Wednesday, June 13, 2012 at 10:30 a.m., local time, at the Cambridge Marriott, 50 Broadway, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02142, and at any adjournment thereof. You may obtain directions to the location of the Annual Meeting by contacting Bruce A. Leicher, Secretary, Momenta Pharmaceuticals, Inc., 675 West Kendall Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02142, telephone: (617) 491-9700.

All proxies will be voted in accordance with the instructions contained in those proxies. If no choice is specified, the proxies will be voted in accordance with the board of directors' recommendations. This means that the proxies will be voted in favor of Proposals 1, 2 and 3 as set forth in the accompanying Notice of Meeting. Any proxy may be revoked by a stockholder at any time before it is exercised by delivery of written revocation to our Secretary, by executing and delivering a later-dated proxy or by appearing at the Annual Meeting and voting in person.

Our 2011 Annual Report to Stockholders for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011 is being mailed to stockholders with the mailing of these proxy materials on or about May 1, 2012.

Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be Held on June 13, 2012:

This proxy statement and the 2011 Annual Report to Stockholders are available for viewing, printing and downloading at http://ir.momentapharma.com/annuals.cfm.

A copy of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, except for exhibits, will be furnished without charge to any stockholder upon request to Momenta Pharmaceuticals, Inc., 675 West Kendall Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02142, Attention: Bruce A. Leicher, facsimile: (617) 621-0431, by calling (617) 491-9700 or on the web at <a href="http://ir.momentapharma.com/annuals.cfm">http://ir.momentapharma.com/annuals.cfm</a>.

#### **Voting Securities and Votes Required**

Stockholders of record at the close of business on Monday, April 16, 2012 will be entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the Annual Meeting. On that date, 51,502,404 shares of our common stock were issued and outstanding. Each share of common stock entitles the holder thereof to one vote with respect to all matters submitted to stockholders at the Annual Meeting. We have no other securities entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting.

The presence in person or representation by proxy of the holders of a majority of the shares of common stock issued and outstanding and entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting is necessary to establish a quorum for the transaction of business. If a quorum is not present, the Annual Meeting will be adjourned until a quorum is obtained.

Directors are elected by a plurality of the votes cast by the stockholders (Proposal 1). The ratification of the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as our independent registered public accounting

firm (Proposal 2) and the approval of the non-binding "say on pay" advisory vote on executive compensation (Proposal 3) require a majority of the votes cast by holders of stock present or represented and voting on such matter. The votes will be counted, tabulated and certified by a representative of Broadridge Financial Solutions, which will serve as the inspector of elections at the Annual Meeting.

Abstentions and broker non-votes (when shares are represented at the Annual Meeting by a proxy specifically conferring only limited authority to vote on certain matters and no authority to vote on other matters) are included in the shares present or represented at the Annual Meeting for purposes of determining whether a quorum is present. Abstentions and broker non-votes will not be considered votes properly cast at the Annual Meeting. Because the approval of each proposal is based on the votes properly cast at the Annual Meeting, abstentions and broker non-votes will not be included in the calculation of the stockholder vote on proposals.

#### **Voting Your Shares**

If you are the record holder of your shares, you may vote in one of four ways. You may vote by submitting your proxy over the Internet, by telephone, or by mail or you may vote in person at the Annual Meeting.

You may vote over the Internet. If you have Internet access, you may vote your shares from any location in the world by following the "Vote by Internet" instructions set forth on the enclosed proxy card.

You may vote by telephone. You may vote your shares by following the "Vote by Phone" instructions set forth on the enclosed proxy card.

You may vote by mail. You may vote by completing, dating and signing the proxy card that accompanies this proxy statement and promptly mailing it in the enclosed postage-prepaid envelope. You do not need to put a stamp on the enclosed envelope if you mail it in the United States. The shares you own will be voted according to the instructions on the proxy card you mail. If you return the proxy card, but do not give any instructions on a particular matter described in this proxy statement, the shares you own will be voted in accordance with the recommendations of our board of directors. Our board of directors recommends that you vote FOR each nominee for director, FOR the ratification of the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm and FOR the approval of executive compensation.

You may vote in person. If you attend the Annual Meeting, you may vote by delivering your completed proxy card in person or you may vote by completing a ballot. Ballots will be available at the meeting.

#### Changing Your Vote; Revocation of Proxy; Broker Non-Votes

Voting over the Internet or by telephone or execution of a proxy will not in any way affect a stockholder's right to attend the Annual Meeting and vote in person. A proxy may be revoked before it is used to cast a vote. To revoke a proxy, a stockholder must:

file with our Secretary, at or before the taking of the vote at the Annual Meeting, a written notice of revocation bearing a later date than the proxy;

duly execute a later-dated proxy relating to the same shares and deliver it to our Secretary before the taking of the vote; or

attend the Annual Meeting and vote in person. Attendance at the Annual Meeting, if a stockholder does not vote, will not be sufficient to revoke a proxy.

Any written notice of revocation or subsequent proxy should be sent to us at the following address: Momenta Pharmaceuticals, Inc., 675 West Kendall Street, Cambridge, MA 02142, Attention: Bruce A. Leicher, Secretary. The shares represented by all properly executed proxies received in time for the Annual Meeting will be voted as specified in those proxies. If the shares you own are held in your name and you do not specify in the proxy card how your shares are to be voted, they will be voted in favor of the election of the directors named in this proxy statement, in favor of the ratification of the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm, in favor of the approval of our executive compensation and, in the discretion of the persons appointed as proxies, on any other items that may properly come before the Annual Meeting. If the shares you own are held in "street name," the bank or brokerage firm, as the record holder of your shares, is required to vote your shares in accordance with your instructions. To vote your shares held in "street name," you will need to follow the directions provided to you by your bank or brokerage firm.

Under applicable stock exchange rules, if you do not give instruction to your bank, broker or other nominee, the nominee will still be able to vote your shares with respect to certain "discretionary" items, but will not be allowed to vote your shares with respect to certain "non-discretionary" items. In the case of non-discretionary items, the shares that do not receive voting instructions will be treated as broker non-votes. The election of directors and the approval of a non-binding advisory vote on executive compensation are non-discretionary items and the ratification of the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm is a discretionary item.

#### PROPOSAL ONE

#### **ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

#### **Board Recommendation**

The board of directors recommends a vote "FOR" the election of each of Mr. John K. Clarke, Mr. James R. Sulat and Mr. Craig A. Wheeler as Class II directors.

We have three classes of directors, currently consisting of three Class I directors, three Class II directors and three Class III directors. At each annual meeting, directors are elected for a full term of three years to succeed those whose terms are expiring. The terms of the three classes are staggered in a manner so that only one class is elected by stockholders annually. Mr. John K. Clarke, Mr. James R. Sulat and Mr. Craig A. Wheeler are currently serving as Class II directors. The Class II directors elected this year will serve as members of our board of directors until the 2015 annual meeting of stockholders, or until their respective successors are elected and qualified.

The persons named in the enclosed proxy card will vote to elect Messrs. Clarke, Sulat and Wheeler as Class II directors unless you withhold authority to vote for the election of any or all nominees by marking the proxy card (whether executed by you or through the Internet or telephonic voting). Stockholders may vote by proxy to elect no more than three persons to our board of directors at the Annual Meeting. Messrs. Clarke, Sulat and Wheeler currently serve on our board of directors. The nominees have indicated their willingness to continue to serve if elected. However, if any director nominee should be unable to serve, the shares of common stock represented by proxies may be voted for a substitute nominee designated by our board of directors. Our board of directors has no reason to believe that the nominees will be unable to serve if elected.

No director or executive officer is related by blood, marriage or adoption to any other director or executive officer. No arrangements or understandings exist between any director or person nominated for election as a director and any other person pursuant to whom such person is to be selected as a director or nominee for election as a director.

#### **Our Board of Directors**

Set forth below for each of our directors, including the Class II director nominees, is information as of April 15, 2012 with respect to each director's (a) name and age, (b) positions and offices with us, (c) principal occupation and business experience during at least the past five years, (d) directorships, if any, of other publicly-held companies during the past five years, (e) the year such person became a member of our board of directors, and (f) specific experience, qualifications, attributes and skills that led our board to the conclusion that such person should serve as a director. In addition to the information presented below regarding each nominee's specific experience, qualifications, attributes and skills that led our board of directors to the conclusion that he should serve as a director, we also believe that all of our director nominees have a reputation for integrity, honesty and adherence to high ethical standards and have each demonstrated business acumen and an ability to exercise sound judgment, as well as a commitment of service to our company and our board.

Name Age Since Principal Occupation, Other Business Experience

Name Age Since During the Past Five Years and Other Directorships

Class II directors, nominees to be elected at the 2012 Annual Meeting (if elected, terms to expire in 2015)

John K. Clarke(1)(2)

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John K. Clarke has been a director since April 2002. Mr. Clarke founded Cardinal Partners, a venture capital firm, in 1997, and has served as its Managing General Partner since its founding. He has founded and served as interim Chief Executive Officer of a number of portfolio companies, including Alkermes, Inc., Arris Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Cubist Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and the DNX Corporation. Mr. Clarke is chairman of the board of directors of Alnylam Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and serves as a member of the board of directors of Verastem, Inc. as well as a number of privately-held healthcare companies. During the last five years, Mr. Clarke also served as a member of the board of directors of Cubist Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Sirtris Pharmaceuticals and Visicu, Inc. He received his B.A. in Biology and Economics from Harvard College and his M.B.A. from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. Mr. Clarke's qualifications to sit on the board include his financial expertise, his years of experience providing advisory services to organizations in the biotechnology industry and his experience serving on other boards of directors in the biopharmaceutical industry.

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Name	Director Age Since	Principal Occupation, Other Business Experience During the Past Five Years and Other Directorships
James R. Sulat(1)(3)	61 2008	James R. Sulat has been a director since June 2008 and has served as chairman of the board since December 2008. Since September 2009, Mr. Sulat has served as the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer of Maxygen, Inc., a biopharmaceutical company. Prior to that, he served as the Chief Financial Officer of Memory Pharmaceuticals Corp., a biopharmaceutical company, from February 2008 through September 2008, and previously served as Memory Pharmaceuticals' President and Chief Executive Officer from May 2005 through February 2008 and as a member of the board of directors of Memory Pharmaceuticals from May 2005 through January 2009. Mr. Sulat serves as a director of Maxygen, Inc. and Intercell AG. Mr. Sulat received a B.S. in Administrative Sciences from Yale University, and an M.B.A. and an M.S. in Health Services Administration from Stanford University. Mr. Sulat's qualifications to sit on the board include his experience with public and financial accounting matters, his experience as chief executive officer and chief financial officer at companies within the biopharmaceutical industry and his experience serving on other boards of directors in the biopharmaceutical industry.
Craig A. Wheeler	51 2006	Craig A. Wheeler has served as our President and a director since August 2006 and was appointed our Chief Executive Officer effective September 2006. Prior to joining Momenta, Mr. Wheeler served as President of Chiron Biopharmaceuticals, a division of Chiron Corporation, a biotechnology company, from August 2001 until June 2006. Mr. Wheeler has been a member of the board of directors of Avanir Pharmaceuticals, Inc. since September 2005 and has served as chairman of the board since May 2007. Mr. Wheeler received B.S. and M.S. degrees in chemical engineering from Cornell University and an M.B.A. degree from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. Mr. Wheeler's qualifications to sit on the board include his years of senior management experience in the biotechnology industry, including over five years as our President and Chief Executive Officer, and his experience as a principal in a major management consulting firm with a focus on healthcare.

Name	Age	Director Since	Principal Occupation, Other Business Experience During the Past Five Years and Other Directorships
Class I directors (terms to expire in 20			
Bruce L. Downey(1)(2)	64	2009	Bruce Downey has been a director since June 2009. Mr. Downey has served as a Partner at NewSpring Capital, a venture capital firm, since April 2009. Previously, Mr. Downey was Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Barr Pharmaceuticals, Inc., a global specialty pharmaceutical company that operated in more than 30 countries worldwide and was acquired by Teva Pharmaceuticals in 2008. Mr. Downey joined Barr Pharmaceuticals, Inc. in 1993 and was appointed Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer in 1994. Mr. Downey is a member of the board of directors of Cardinal Health, Inc. as well as privately held companies. Mr. Downey graduated with honors from Miami University in 1969 and received his law degree cum laude from Ohio State. Mr. Downey's qualifications to sit on the board include his significant experience serving as a chief executive officer of a global generic pharmaceutical company that also had a substantial brand business and an active biologics research and development program, his years serving as a lawyer in private practice and his experience serving on other boards of directors in the biopharmaceutical industry.
Marsha H. Fanucci(1)(3)	59	2005	Marsha H. Fanucci has been a director since March 2005. Ms. Fanucci served as Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Millennium Pharmaceuticals, Inc., a biopharmaceutical company, from July 2004 through January 2009, where she was responsible for corporate strategy, treasury, financial planning and reporting and operations. While at Millennium since 2000, she also served as Vice President, Finance and Corporate Strategy and Vice President, Corporate Development. (Millennium was acquired by Takeda Pharmaceutical Company Limited in May 2008 and is now Millennium: The Takeda Oncology Company). Ms. Fanucci is a member of the board of directors of Alnylam Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and Ironwood Pharmaceuticals, Inc. She received her B.S. in Pharmacy from West Virginia University and her M.B.A. from Northeastern University. Ms. Fanucci's qualifications to sit on the board include her expertise with public and financial accounting matters, including her experience leading financial organizations in biotechnology companies.
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		Director	Principal Occupation, Other Business Experience
Name	Age	Since	During the Past Five Years and Other Directorships
Peter Barton Hutt(3)	77	2001	Peter Barton Hutt, LL.B., L.L.M., has been a director since June 2001.
			Mr. Hutt is a senior counsel at the law firm of Covington & Burling LLP and
			has been an attorney with that firm beginning in 1960. He served as Chief
			Counsel for the Food and Drug Administration from 1971 through 1975.
			Mr. Hutt is a member of the Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of
			Sciences and teaches a course on Food and Drug Law each Winter Term at
			Harvard Law School. He co-authored the casebook used to teach Food and
			Drug Law and has published numerous papers on the subject. Mr. Hutt is a
			member of the board of directors of Ista Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Xoma Ltd., and
			several privately-held life sciences companies. During the last five years,
			Mr. Hutt also served as a member of the board of directors of Celera Genomics,
			CV Therapeutics, Inc., Favrille, Inc. and Introgen Therapeutics, Inc. Mr. Hutt
			received his B.A., magna cum laude, from Yale University, his L.L.B. from
			Harvard University and his L.L.M. from New York University. Mr. Hutt's
			qualifications to sit on the board include his 50 years of experience and
			expertise in food and drug regulation, including his service at the U.S. Food
			and Drug Administration and at Covington & Burling, and his experience
			serving on other boards of directors in the biopharmaceutical industry.
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Name	Age	Since	During the Past Five Years and Other Directorships		
Class III directors (terms to expire in	2013)				
Thomas P. Koestler(2)(4)	60	2011	Thomas P. Koestler has been a director since January 2011. Since February 2010, Dr. Koestler has served as Executive Director-Healthcare at Vatera Healthcare Partners, a venture capital company. Prior to joining Vatera Healthcare Partners, Dr. Koestler was Executive Vice President of Schering-Plough Corporation, a pharmaceutical company, and President of Schering-Plough Research Institute, the pharmaceutical research and development arm of Schering-Plough Corporation, which he joined in 2003. Dr. Koestler has also held senior positions at Pharmacia Corporation, Novartis AG, Ortho-McNeil and Bristol-Myers Squibb. Dr. Koestler is also a member of the board of directors of Novo Nordisk A/S and a number of privately-held companies. Dr. Koestler holds a BS degree in biology and genetics from Daemen College and a Ph.D. from the State University of New York, where he studied medicine and pathology. Dr. Koestler's qualifications to sit on the board include his years of senior executive experience in the pharmaceutical industry, including his involvement with over 80 product approvals during his career, including 30 related to new molecular entities.		
Bennett M. Shapiro(2)(4)	72	2003	Bennett M. Shapiro, M.D., has been a director since May 2003. Since June 2006, he has served as a Senior Partner at PureTech Ventures, a venture capital firm, and since August 2003 he has served as a private consultant providing advice to executives. From September 1990 to July 2003, Dr. Shapiro served as an Executive Vice President of Merck & Co., Inc., a research-based pharmaceutical company. Dr. Shapiro is the former head of Worldwide Licensing and External Research at Merck; prior to that he served as the head of Basic and Preclinical Research at Merck and as Chairman of the Biochemistry department at the University of Washington. Dr. Shapiro serves on the board of a number of privately-held biopharmaceutical companies. During the last five years, Dr. Shapiro also served as a member of the board of directors of Celera Genomics. Dr. Shapiro received his B.S. in Chemistry from Dickinson College and his M.D. from Jefferson Medical College. Dr. Shapiro's qualifications to sit on the board include his years of senior executive experience in the pharmaceutical industry, including his expertise in leading research-based organizations, and his experience serving on other boards of directors in the biopharmaceutical industry.		
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		Director	Principal Occupation, Other Business Experience
Name	Age	Since	<b>During the Past Five Years and Other Directorships</b>
Elizabeth Stoner(3)(4)	61	2007	Elizabeth Stoner, M.D., has been a director since October 2007. Since March
			2010, Dr. Stoner has been the Chief Development Officer at Rhythm
			Pharmaceuticals, a biotechnology company. Since October 2007, Dr. Stoner
			has served as a Managing Director at MPM Capital, a healthcare venture
			capital firm. Prior to joining MPM Capital, Dr. Stoner had a 22-year career at
			Merck Research Laboratories. At the time of her retirement from Merck,
			Dr. Stoner was Senior Vice President of Global Clinical Development
			Operations with responsibility for the company's clinical development activities
			in more than 40 countries. Prior to her position at Merck, she was an Assistant
			Professor of Pediatrics at Cornell University Medical College. Dr. Stoner
			serves on the board of a privately-held biopharmaceutical company. During the
			last five years, Dr. Stoner served on the board of Metabasis Therapeutics, Inc.,
			a biopharmaceutical company. Dr. Stoner received her B.S. in Chemistry from
			Ottawa University, KS, her M.S. in Chemistry from the State University of
			New York at Stony Brook, and her M.D. from Albert Einstein College of
			Medicine. Dr. Stoner's qualifications to sit on the board include her more than
			20 years of senior executive experience in the pharmaceutical industry,
			including her expertise in leading clinical development organizations.

- (1) Member of audit committee.
- (2) Member of compensation committee.
- (3) Member of nominating and corporate governance committee.
- (4) Member of science committee.

For information relating to compensation of our directors, including shares of our common stock owned by and options granted to each of our directors, see the disclosure set forth under the headings "Executive Compensation Compensation of Directors" and "Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters."

#### CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

#### General

We believe that good corporate governance is important to ensure that Momenta is managed for the long-term benefit of our stockholders. We continuously review our corporate governance policies and practices and to compare them to those suggested by various authorities in corporate governance and the practices of other public companies.

This section describes key corporate governance practices that we have adopted. Complete copies of our corporate governance guidelines, committee charters and code of conduct described below are available on the "Investors Corporate Governance" section of our website at www.momentapharma.com. Alternatively, you may request a copy of any of these documents by writing to Momenta Pharmaceuticals, Inc., 675 West Kendall Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02142, attention: Bruce A. Leicher, Secretary, fax: (617) 621-0431.

## **Corporate Governance Guidelines**

Our board of directors has adopted corporate governance guidelines to assist our board of directors in the exercise of its duties and responsibilities and to serve the best interests of Momenta and its stockholders. These guidelines, which provide a framework for the conduct of the board of directors' business, provide that:

the principal responsibility of the directors is to oversee the management of Momenta;

a majority of the members of the board of directors shall be independent directors;

the independent directors meet periodically in executive session;

directors shall have full and free access to management and, as necessary and appropriate, independent advisors;

new directors shall participate in an orientation program and all directors are expected to participate in continuing director education funded by the company on an ongoing basis; and

at least annually the board of directors and its committees will conduct a self-evaluation to evaluate whether they are functioning effectively.

#### **Board Determination of Independence**

Under applicable NASDAQ rules, a director will only qualify as an "independent director" if, in the opinion of our board of directors, that person does not have a relationship which would interfere with the exercise of independent judgment in carrying out the responsibilities of a director. Our board of directors has determined that none of John K. Clarke, Bruce L. Downey, Marsha H. Fanucci, Peter Barton Hutt, Thomas P. Koestler, Bennett M. Shapiro, Elizabeth Stoner and James R. Sulat, from which group directors are currently selected to comprise our audit, compensation and nominating and corporate governance committees, has a relationship that would interfere with the exercise of independent judgment in carrying out the responsibilities of a director and that each of these directors is an "independent" director as that term is defined under applicable NASDAO rules.

#### **Board Leadership Structure**

Our board separated the positions of chairman of the board and chief executive officer in 2005. Separating these positions allows our chief executive officer to focus on our day-to-day business, while allowing the chairman of the board to lead the board in its fundamental role of providing advice to and independent oversight of management. The board recognizes the time, effort, and energy that the chief executive officer is required to devote to his position, and further recognizes the commitment required

to serve as chairman of the board, particularly as the board's oversight responsibilities continue to grow. While our bylaws and corporate governance guidelines do not require that our chairman and chief executive officer positions be separate, the board believes that our practice of having separate positions and having an independent outside director serve as chairman is the appropriate leadership structure for the company at this time. However, in the event that in the future the chairman of the board is not an independent director, our corporate governance guidelines provide that the nominating and corporate governance committee will nominate an independent director to serve as "Lead Director" who will be approved by a majority of the independent directors.

#### **Board Meetings and Attendance**

Our board of directors met five times during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011, either in person or by teleconference. During 2011, each director attended at least 75% of the aggregate of the total number of board meetings and committee meetings on which she or he then served, with the exception of Peter Barton Hutt, who attended 73% of such meetings. Mr. Hutt attended all regularly scheduled board and committee meetings during 2011. Quarterly board meetings are scheduled over a year in advance of the meeting, while special meetings of the board are scheduled for unanticipated matters close to the time of the meeting, often at a time when not every director can be available.

#### **Director Attendance at Annual Meetings of Stockholders**

Our corporate governance guidelines provide that directors are expected to attend the annual meeting of stockholders. All of our then-current directors attended the 2011 annual meeting of stockholders.

#### **Board Committees**

Our board of directors has established four standing committees audit, compensation, nominating and corporate governance and science each of which operates under a charter that has been approved by our board of directors. Current copies of the audit, compensation, nominating and corporate governance and science committee charters are posted on the "Investors Corporate Governance" section of our website located at <a href="https://www.momentapharma.com">www.momentapharma.com</a>.

Our board of directors has determined that all of the members of each of the audit, compensation and nominating and corporate governance committees are independent as defined under applicable NASDAQ rules, including, in the case of all members of the audit committee, the independence requirements contemplated by Rule 10A-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the Exchange Act.

Audit Committee

The audit committee currently consists of Marsha H. Fanucci, John K. Clarke, Bruce L. Downey and James R. Sulat. Ms. Fanucci chairs the audit committee. The audit committee held nine meetings in 2011. Our audit committee's responsibilities include:

appointing, approving the compensation of, and assessing the independence of our independent registered public accounting firm;

overseeing the work of our independent registered public accounting firm, including the receipt and consideration of reports from the firm;

reviewing and discussing with management our annual and quarterly financial statements and related disclosures;

monitoring our internal control over financial reporting and disclosure controls and procedures;

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discussing and monitoring our risk management policies and compliance program;

establishing policies regarding hiring employees from the independent registered public accounting firm and procedures for the receipt and retention of accounting related complaints and concerns;

meeting with management and independently with our independent registered public accounting firm;

reviewing and approving or ratifying any related person transactions; and

preparing the audit committee report required by Securities and Exchange Commission rules, which is included below under "Report of the Audit Committee."

Our board of directors has determined that each of Marsha H. Fanucci, Bruce L. Downey, John K. Clarke and James R. Sulat is an "audit committee financial expert" as defined by applicable Securities and Exchange Commission rules.

Compensation Committee

The compensation committee currently consists of John K. Clarke, Bruce L. Downey, Thomas P. Koestler and Bennett M. Shapiro. Mr. Clarke chairs the compensation committee. The compensation committee held ten meetings in 2011. Our compensation committee's responsibilities include:

annually reviewing and approving corporate goals and objectives relevant to compensation of our chief executive officer, or CEO:

determining the CEO's compensation;

reviewing and approving the compensation of our other executive officers;

overseeing an evaluation of our senior executives;

overseeing and administering our equity incentive plans;

reviewing and making recommendations to the board of directors with respect to director compensation;

reviewing and discussing annually with management our "Compensation Discussion and Analysis," which is included below; and

preparing the compensation committee report required by Securities and Exchange Commission rules, which is included below under "Compensation Committee Report."

The processes and procedures followed by our compensation committee in considering and determining executive compensation are described below under the heading "Executive Compensation Processes."

Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee

Our nominating and corporate governance committee currently consists of Peter Barton Hutt, Marsha H. Fanucci, Elizabeth Stoner and James R. Sulat. Mr. Hutt chairs the nominating and corporate governance committee. The nominating and corporate governance committee held four meetings in 2011. Our nominating and corporate governance committee's responsibilities include:

identifying individuals qualified to become board members;

recommending to the board of directors the persons to be nominated for election as directors and to each of the board's committees;

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reviewing and making recommendations to the board of directors with respect to director independence determinations under applicable NASDAQ rules;

reviewing and making recommendations to the board of directors with respect to management succession planning;

reviewing and assessing our code of business conduct and ethics;

overseeing and periodically reviewing material litigation in which we are engaged;

developing and recommending to the board of directors corporate governance principles; and

overseeing an annual evaluation of the board of directors.

The processes and procedures followed by our nominating and corporate governance committee in identifying and evaluating director candidates are described below under the heading "Director Nomination Process."

Science Committee

Our science committee currently consists of Thomas P. Koestler, Bennett M. Shapiro and Elizabeth Stoner. Dr. Shapiro chairs the science committee. The science committee held four meetings in 2011. Our science committee's responsibilities include:

reviewing the scientific, clinical, regulatory and intellectual property strategies that underlie our major research and development programs;

reviewing the annual research and development budget and allocation of resources to certain of our programs;

reviewing the organization and structure of the research and development organization; and

assessing the attainment of research and development milestones.

#### The Board's Role in Risk Oversight

Our board of directors administers its risk oversight function directly and through our board committees. The audit committee's role in the risk oversight process includes receiving regular reports from our compliance officer, who oversees our compliance program, members of senior management on our compliance committee who have functional compliance responsibility, and other members of senior management on areas of material risk to us, including operational, financial, legal, regulatory, strategic and reputational risks. The audit committee receives these reports from the appropriate "risk owner" within the company to enable the audit committee to understand our risk identification, risk management and risk mitigation strategies. The chairwoman of the audit committee reports on these discussions to the full board during each regularly-scheduled board meeting. The compensation committee assists the board in fulfilling its oversight responsibilities with respect to the management of risks arising from our compensation policies and programs. The nominating and governance committee assists the board in fulfilling its oversight responsibilities with respect to the management of risks associated with board organization, membership and structure, succession planning for our directors and executive officers, and corporate governance, and by reviewing the code of business conduct and ethics which creates a foundation for our compliance program.

#### **Executive Compensation Processes**

We have implemented an annual performance review program for our employees, including our executives, with annual corporate goals that are proposed by management, reviewed by the compensation committee and approved by the board of directors. These corporate goals target the

achievement of specified operational and financial goals; specific research, clinical, regulatory, commercial and/or compliance milestones; and business development and financing initiatives. Individual performance is evaluated in part by reviewing the extent to which an employee's performance facilitates the achievement of our annual corporate and business goals. Annual salary changes, individual components of annual incentive cash bonus awards and equity awards for each of our Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, and each of our three other most highly compensated executive officers are tied to a combination of achievement of corporate goals and individual performance.

The compensation committee has the authority to retain compensation consultants and other outside advisors to assist in the evaluation of executive officer compensation. To assist the compensation committee in discharging its responsibilities, since mid- 2010, the compensation committee retained Radford Survey and Consulting, a business unit of AON, an independent compensation consultant that we refer to as Radford, to evaluate certain aspects of our compensation practices and assist the compensation committee with setting executive compensation.

For further information about our executive compensation, please see the "Executive Compensation Compensation Discussion and Analysis" section below.

## **Director Nomination Process**

The process followed by our nominating and corporate governance committee to identify and evaluate director candidates includes requests to board members for recommendations, meetings from time to time to evaluate biographical information and background material relating to potential candidates and interviews of selected candidates by members of the nominating and corporate governance committee and other members of the board of directors.

In considering whether to recommend any particular candidate for inclusion in the board's slate of director nominees, the nominating and corporate governance committee applies the criteria attached to its charter. These criteria include the candidate's integrity, business acumen, knowledge of our business and industry, experience, diligence, conflicts of interest and the ability to act in the interests of all stockholders. The criteria further specify that the value of diversity on the board should be considered by the nominating and corporate governance committee in the director identification and nomination process. While we do not have a formal policy on diversity, the nominating and corporate governance committee seeks nominees with a broad diversity of experience, professions, skills, gender, race, national origin and backgrounds and considers such factors in evaluating prospective nominees. The nominating and corporate governance committee does not assign specific weights to particular criteria and no particular trait is a prerequisite for each prospective nominee. We believe that the backgrounds and qualifications of our directors, considered as a group, should provide a composite mix of experience, knowledge and abilities that will allow the board of directors to fulfill its responsibilities. Nominees are not discriminated against on the basis of race, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, disability or any other basis proscribed by law.

Stockholders may recommend individuals to the nominating and corporate governance committee for consideration as potential director candidates by submitting their names, together with appropriate biographical information and background materials and a statement as to whether the stockholder or group of stockholders making the recommendation has beneficially owned more than 5% of our common stock for at least a year as of the date such recommendation is made, to the nominating and corporate governance committee, c/o Bruce A. Leicher, Secretary, Momenta Pharmaceuticals, Inc., 675 West Kendall Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02142. Assuming that appropriate biographical and background material has been provided on a timely basis, the nominating and corporate governance committee will evaluate stockholder-recommended candidates by following substantially the same process, and applying substantially the same criteria, as it follows for candidates submitted by others.

Stockholders also have the right under our bylaws to directly nominate director candidates, without any action or recommendation on the part of the nominating and corporate governance committee or the board of directors, by following the procedures set forth in our amended and restated bylaws that are described below under the heading "Stockholder Proposals."

#### **Communicating with the Independent Directors**

Our board of directors will give appropriate attention to written communications that are submitted by stockholders and will respond if and as appropriate. The chairman of the board of directors (if an independent director) or the lead director (if one is appointed), or otherwise the chairperson of the nominating and corporate governance committee, subject to advice and assistance from the general counsel and, if requested, outside legal counsel, is primarily responsible for monitoring communications from stockholders and for providing copies of summaries of such communications to the other directors as he or she considers appropriate.

Under procedures approved by a majority of the independent directors, communications are forwarded to all directors if they relate to important substantive matters and include suggestions or comments that the chairman of the board considers to be important for the directors to know. In general, communications relating to corporate governance and corporate strategy are more likely to be forwarded than communications relating to ordinary business affairs, personal grievances and matters as to which we tend to receive repetitive or duplicative communications.

Stockholders who wish to send communications on any topic to the board of directors should address such communications to board of directors c/o Bruce A. Leicher, Secretary, Momenta Pharmaceuticals, Inc., 675 West Kendall Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02142, fax: (617) 621-0431.

#### **Code of Business Conduct and Ethics**

We have adopted a written code of business conduct and ethics that applies to our directors, officers and employees, including our principal executive officer, principal financial officer, principal accounting officer or controller, or persons performing similar functions. We have posted a current copy of the code on our website, which is located at <a href="https://www.momentapharma.com">www.momentapharma.com</a> under the Corporate Governance tab in the Investors section of our website. In addition, we intend to post on our website all disclosures that are required by law or NASDAQ Global Market listing standards concerning any amendments to, or waivers from, any provision of the code.

#### Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance

Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act requires our directors, executive officers and the holders of more than 10% of our common stock to file with the Securities and Exchange Commission initial reports of ownership of our common stock and other equity securities on a Form 3 and reports of changes in such ownership on a Form 4 or Form 5. Officers, directors and 10% stockholders are required by Securities and Exchange Commission regulations to furnish us with copies of all Section 16(a) forms they file. Based solely on our review of copies of Section 16(a) reports furnished to us and representations made to us, we believe that during 2011 our officers, directors and holders of more than 10% of our common stock complied with all Section 16(a) filing requirements, except that Mr. Clarke did not file a Form 5 relating to gifts of 8,000 shares.

#### **Our Executive Officers**

The following table sets forth the names, ages and positions of our current executive officers as of April 16, 2012:

Name	Age	Position
Craig A. Wheeler*	51	President and Chief Executive Officer
Richard P. Shea	60	Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
Ganesh Venkataraman Kaundinya,		
Ph.D.	45	Chief Scientific Officer and Senior Vice President, Research
John E. Bishop, Ph.D.	50	Senior Vice President, Pharmaceutical Sciences
Bruce A. Leicher	56	Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary
James M. Roach, M.D.	52	Chief Medical Officer and Senior Vice President, Development

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Mr. Wheeler is a member of our board of directors. See Proposal One Election of Directors for more information about Mr. Wheeler.

Richard P. Shea has been our Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer since July 2007. From October 2003 through July 2007, he served as our Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. From April 2002 to April 2003, Mr. Shea served as Chief Operating Officer for Variagenics, Inc., a pharmacogenomics company. From March 2000 to April 2002, Mr. Shea served as Variagenics, Inc.'s Chief Financial Officer and from February 1999 to March 2000, he served as its Vice President, Finance and Administration. Mr. Shea is a CPA and received his A.B. from Princeton University and his M.B.A. from Boston University.

Ganesh Venkataraman Kaundinya, Ph.D., is a co-founder of our company and has been our Chief Scientific Officer since September 2007 and our Senior Vice President, Research since April 2005. From January 2002 through April 2005, he served as our Vice President, Technology. Dr. Kaundinya received his M.S. and Ph.D. in Chemical Engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

John E. Bishop, Ph.D., has been our Senior Vice President, Pharmaceutical Sciences since December 2006. He served as our Vice President, Pharmaceutical Sciences and Manufacturing from November 2004 to December 2006. From August 2000 to October 2004, Dr. Bishop served as Director and Head of Process Development (Chemical and Biologics) at Millennium Pharmaceuticals, Inc. During that period, he also led the Chemistry, Manufacturing and Controls (CMC) team for Velcade®, a type of cancer medicine. Dr. Bishop received his B.S. magna cum laude in Chemistry and German from Tufts University, his Ph.D. in Organic Chemistry from UC Berkeley and his M.B.A. from Northeastern University.

*Bruce A. Leicher* has been our Senior Vice President and General Counsel since July 2008 and Secretary since September 2008. From December 2006 to July 2008, Mr. Leicher served as Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary at Altus Pharmaceuticals Inc., a biopharmaceutical company. From December 2005 to December 2006, he served as Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary at Antigenics Inc., a biotechnology company. Mr. Leicher received his B.A. from the University of Rochester and his J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center. After earning his law degree, Mr. Leicher served as a law clerk to the Honorable Thomas F. Hogan, U.S. District Court Judge for the District of Columbia.

James M. Roach, M.D., has been our Chief Medical Officer and Senior Vice President, Development since February 2008. From January 2006 to February 2008, Dr. Roach served as Senior Vice President, Medical Affairs at Sepracor Inc., a pharmaceutical company, where he also served as Vice President, Medical Affairs from July 2002 to December 2005 and as Executive Medical Director, Medical Affairs from January 2002 to June 2002. Dr. Roach is board certified in Internal Medicine, Pulmonary Disease, and Critical Care Medicine and is an Assistant Clinical Professor of Medicine at Harvard Medical School and an Associate Physician at Brigham and Women's Hospital. Dr. Roach received his B.A. in biology and philosophy from the College of the Holy Cross and his M.D. from Georgetown University School of Medicine. He completed his residency in Internal Medicine and fellowship in Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine at the Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C.

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#### **EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION**

#### **Compensation Discussion and Analysis**

The following discussion provides information regarding compensation earned by our Chief Executive Officer, our Chief Financial Officer and each of our three other most highly compensated executive officers. We refer to these executive officers as our "Named Executives."

**Executive Summary** 

The objective of our executive compensation program is to align the interests of management with the interests of stockholders through a system that correlates compensation to company-wide objectives and, to a lesser extent, individual performance. Our program is geared for short- and long-term performance, with the goal of increasing stockholder value over the long term. We also emphasize employee retention in our program. We also considered the results of the most recent advisory, non-binding vote of stockholders on the compensation of the Named Executives, which was approved by more than 98% of the votes cast at the 2011 annual meeting of stockholders. Upon review, we determined it was not necessary to make any changes to our program or philosophy. Our stockholders also overwhelmingly indicated their preference for an annual say-on-pay vote. Immediately following last year's annual meeting, the board determined that future say-on-pay votes would be held every year until the next vote on the frequency of such advisory votes.

Our "pay-for-performance" philosophy forms the foundation for the compensation committee's decisions regarding executive compensation. Like most companies, we use a combination of fixed and variable compensation programs to reward and incentivize strong performance, and to align the interests of our executives with our stockholders. This compensation philosophy, and the program structure approved by the compensation committee, is central to our ability to attract, retain and motivate individuals who can achieve the results that our stockholders expect.

Our compensation committee has determined that our compensation program should be designed to:

link pay to performance, measured on the corporate as well as individual level;
reinforce business strategy and reflect and reinforce our values;
reward teamwork and integrity;
motivate our people to achieve meaningful results in support of our company goals;
keep things simple to promote understanding and enable employees to make informed decisions; and

Our executive compensation philosophy is based on the following principles:

retain our management team and our other employees.

Competitive and Fair Compensation. We believe that the performance of our Named Executives should be viewed, and their overall compensation should be determined, in the context of our industry, the competitive landscape and our performance. While we do not have an exact formula for allocating between cash and non-cash compensation, we try to balance short-term cash compensation and long-term equity compensation by offering reasonable base salaries, market-competitive benefits and perquisites, annual incentive cash bonuses and opportunities for financial growth through our equity incentive programs. Cash and non-cash components are established separately and viewed distinctly by our compensation committee.

Sustained Performance. In determining total compensation, we stress a philosophy that is performance driven. Our Named Executives are primarily rewarded based upon an assessment of

corporate performance and secondarily on individual performance. Corporate performance is evaluated by reviewing the extent to which established corporate goals are met. Individual performance is evaluated by reviewing how each Named Executive contributed in the context of overall corporate goals. Our compensation philosophy emphasizing performance permeates total compensation for both executives and non-executives. We believe that the design of our executive compensation program affects all of our employees and, because the performance of every employee is important to our success, we are cognizant of the effect that executive compensation may have on other employees.

Compensation and benefits for employees at all levels, including for our Named Executives includes base salary, annual incentive cash bonuses, annual equity awards and other benefits. Compensation for our Named Executives also includes severance and change-of-control payments. Other aspects of our compensation program are intended to further align the interest of our executives with our stockholders, including stock ownership guidelines that more closely align executives' interests with those of stockholders.

The following pages of this Compensation Discussion and Analysis include the following:

an overview of our program, including our policy on pay for performance;

a description of the roles of those responsible for overseeing and implementing the compensation plan;

a description of how we develop our competitive compensation structure, including how we use external data;

a discussion of the impact of this analysis on the compensation of our Named Executives; and

a summary of the other elements of executive officer compensation.

The compensation tables appear immediately following this Compensation Discussion and Analysis.

#### Background for 2011 Compensation

In the fall of 2010, in light of the approval by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration of enoxaparin sodium injection, our first commercial product, Radford examined our historical peer group companies and determine the appropriateness of retaining those companies as our peer group and/or identifying other suitable companies to be included in the peer group. Radford focused on creating a peer group that represented companies within our industry and captured companies at a similar stage of development with a similar financial profile as us.

In reviewing and selecting potential peer group companies, Radford first identified all publicly traded, U.S.-headquartered companies in the biotechnology/pharmaceutical industry at or near the commercial stage. Radford next refined the pool to reflect companies with 50 to 600 employees, annual revenue between \$30 million and \$300 million and a market capitalization between \$250 million to \$2.5 billion. Radford next qualitatively evaluated and refined the pool to identify each company's business focus and corporate strategy, where publicly disclosed. Radford then selected companies that were similar to us, taking into consideration the financial profile and product stage of development for each company.

In October 2010, the compensation committee reviewed and approved the peer group companies presented by Radford based on the above methodology and analysis, which were:

Acorda Therapeutics, Inc. InterMune, Inc.

Alkermes, Inc.

Auxilium Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Dyax Corp.

Enzon Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Isis Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Jazz Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Onyx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Salix Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Idenix Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Seattle Genetics, Inc.

Impax Laboratories, Inc. Spectrum Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Incyte Corporation Theravance, Inc.

Inspire Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

ViroPharma Incorporated

In the fall of 2010, Radford provided analysis of and advice on our executive compensation program, including base salaries, short-term incentives and long-term incentives, as compared to the new peer group companies. In conducting its review, Radford considered the company's ability to continue to recruit, retain and motivate the executive team.

In addition, in order to determine the appropriate target level for company-wide salary increases for 2011, in the fall of 2010 we obtained survey data from the following survey sources: WorldatWork; Mercer; Hay Group; The Society for Human Resources Management; Conference Board and Radford. These surveys were utilized to assure that our proposed merit salary increases were competitive in the market. The projected merit salary increases for 2011 contained in the surveys were between 2.9% and 3.4% of current base salaries, with the Radford survey, an industry-specific survey, projecting a 3.4% increase. Using these data, we set a target level of merit salary increase for 2011 at 3.5%, with the goals of retaining a competitive compensation package and aligning internal compensation with external candidates coming into the company.

#### Background for 2012 Compensation

In September 2011, in light of the changes in our revenue and number of employees, among other factors, Radford examined our historical peer group companies and determine the appropriateness of retaining those companies as our peer group and/or identifying other suitable companies to be included in the peer group. Radford focused on creating a peer group that represented companies within our industry and captured companies at a similar stage of development with a similar financial profile as us.

In reviewing and selecting potential peer group companies, Radford first identified all publicly traded, U.S.-headquartered companies in the biotechnology/pharmaceutical industry at the commercial stage. Radford next refined the pool to reflect companies with 75 to 750 employees, annual revenue between \$20 million and \$175 million and a market capitalization between \$275 million to \$2.5 billion. Radford next qualitatively evaluated and refined the pool to identify each company's business focus and corporate strategy, where publicly disclosed. Radford then selected companies that were similar to us, taking into consideration the business focus, financial profile and stage of development for each company. As a result, Akorn, Incorporated, Halozyme Therapeutics, Inc., Nektar Therapeutics and Questor Pharmaceuticals were added to the peer group list and Dyax Corp., Enzon Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and Inspire Pharmaceuticals, Inc. were removed from the peer group list.

In the fall of 2011, Radford provided analysis and advice of our executive compensation program, including base salaries, short-term incentives and long-term incentives, as compared with the new peer group companies. In conducting its review, Radford considered the company's ability to continue to recruit, retain and motivate the executive team.

In addition, in order to determine the appropriate target level for company-wide salary increases for 2012, in the fall of 2011 we obtained survey data from the following survey sources: Culpepper,

Mercer and Radford. These surveys were utilized to assure that our proposed merit salary increases were competitive in the market. The projected merit salary increases for 2012 contained in the surveys were between 3.0% and 3.5% of current base salaries. Using these data, we set a target level of merit salary increase for 2012 at 3.5%, with the goals of retaining a competitive compensation package and aligning internal compensation with external candidates coming into the company.

#### Stock Ownership Guidelines

In September 2007, our board of directors, upon recommendation of the compensation committee, approved a stock ownership and retention program for our executive officers and directors. The purpose of the program is to ensure that each of our executive officers and directors has a long-term equity stake in Momenta, to more closely align the interests of the executive officers and directors with those of our stockholders and to further promote our commitment to sound corporate governance.

Under the program's guidelines:

our President and CEO is expected to hold shares of our common stock having an aggregate value equal to or greater than three times his or her annual base salary;

other executive officers are expected to hold shares of our common stock having an aggregate value equal to or greater than one times their annual base salary; and

non-employee directors are expected to hold shares of our common stock having an aggregate value equal to or greater than three times their then current annual base retainer for general board membership, excluding committee retainers, per-meeting or other similar fees.

Our executive officers and directors are expected to comply with these guidelines by the later of March 31, 2013 and the fifth anniversary that each such person becomes subject to the guidelines. Until the applicable minimum share requirement is achieved, each executive officer and director is required to retain all shares of restricted stock upon the lapse of vesting restrictions, net of shares surrendered or sold to pay applicable withholding taxes. Once an executive officer or director has met these guidelines, he or she must continue to satisfy the guidelines so long as he or she remains subject to the guidelines. Each executive officer and director's satisfaction of the minimum share requirement will be measured on an annual basis. Shares that count toward satisfaction of the guidelines include:

shares of common stock owned outright by the executive officer or director or his or her spouse or minor children;

shares of common stock held in trust for the benefit of the executive officer or director or his or her spouse or minor children; and

restricted stock or restricted stock units for which applicable restrictions have lapsed.

The minimum share requirement may be waived, at the discretion of the compensation committee, if compliance would create severe hardship, would prevent an executive officer or director from complying with a court order, as in the case of a divorce settlement, or when he or she attains the age of 62.

Determining Executive Compensation Roles and Process

Utilizing the philosophy and background outlined above, our compensation committee determines the parameters of the executive compensation program, including appropriate target levels and performance measures, and administers our executive compensation program. This section discusses in greater detail the roles and process underlying the application of our executive compensation philosophy.

Role of CEO in Compensation Decisions

The CEO's role in the compensation process begins with the establishment of our corporate and business performance objectives against which the payment of annual incentive bonus awards will be measured. Our CEO, together with our executive team, discusses and formulates annual corporate and business goals. These goals are presented to our compensation committee, which reviews and finalizes the goals and recommends them for approval by our board of directors. The CEO's role in the compensation process continues with his review of our Named Executives. Our CEO elicits 360-performance reviews with respect to each of our Named Executives. These 360-performance reviews are evaluations of each Named Executive that are submitted to our CEO by our employees who interact with these Named Executives. Each executive also completes a written self-assessment which is submitted to the CEO. The CEO then assimilates the feedback from the 360-performance reviews and the self-assessment into formal written evaluations of each Named Executive, including the CEO's own evaluation of the Named Executive. The CEO's evaluation also includes documenting each Named Executive's performance during the year, detailing accomplishments, areas of strength and areas for development. The CEO bases this evaluation on his knowledge of each Named Executive's performance and feedback provided by the 360-performance reviews. Each Named Executive is then rated based on his or her performance during the year. The CEO then works directly with our Senior Vice President, Human Resources to provide comprehensive recommendations for salary changes, individual components of annual incentive cash bonus awards and equity awards for each of our Named Executives. These recommendations are presented to, reviewed by, modified or accepted, and approved by our compensation committee. The CEO then meets with each Named Executive and reviews his or her respective performance evaluation and compensation changes, if any.

At the request of the compensation committee, our CEO attends all or portions of periodic meetings of the compensation committee, but does not attend portions of any meeting in which the compensation committee discusses his compensation or performance. In addition, our compensation committee reviews the information with respect to executive compensation trends among our peer-group companies, including the overall blend of salary, bonus and equity compensation within such group, presented by our Senior Vice President, Human Resources and her recommendations pertaining to our executive compensation program. As discussed below, the compensation committee also reviews data and recommendations from compensation consultants.

The compensation committee has delegated to our CEO the authority to make stock option grants under our 2004 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended, to newly-hired employees below the senior director level based on a number of options within a range as set forth in a matrix previously approved by the board of directors.

#### Role of the Compensation Committee

Our compensation committee recognizes the importance of maintaining sound principles for the development and administration of our compensation program, which is intended to strengthen the link between executive pay and performance. The compensation committee, in accordance with its written charter, oversees all aspects of our director, officer and other executive compensation policies. Based on the process described under the caption "Role of CEO in Compensation Decisions," above, the CEO, together with our Senior Vice President, Human Resources, makes a recommendation to the compensation committee on each Named Executive's compensation, except his own. Named Executives do not propose or seek approval for their own compensation. The compensation committee then determines the compensation of each of these Named Executives. The chairman of the board and the chairman of the compensation committee evaluate the CEO's performance, utilizing input from the board of directors and from selected executive officers in connection with an annual 360-performance review, and make recommendations to the compensation committee, which then determines the CEO's compensation.

Role of External Advisors

To assist it in discharging its responsibilities, our compensation committee utilized one independent compensation consultant, Radford, to evaluate certain aspects of our compensation practices and to assist in making recommendations for our board of directors and executive compensation programs. As part of this process, members of the compensation committee reviewed materials provided by our compensation consultants, and had the opportunity to meet independently with Radford periodically throughout the year to discuss our executive and director compensation and to receive input and advice. The compensation committee has access to all written reports and studies provided by Radford to management. Radford did not provide any other services to us other than those described in this Executive Compensation section.

We do not use "internal pay equity" as a constraint on compensation paid to our CEO or other Named Executives. Such systems typically put a ceiling on part or all of an executive's compensation based on a specified multiple of compensation awarded to another executive or a class of employees of the company. Our management and our compensation committee do not believe that such arbitrary limitations are an appropriate way to make compensation decisions for our executives. Instead, we rely on the judgment of the compensation committee, after considering recommendations from management and external advisors, available market data and evaluations of executive performance, in the context of a program that is weighted heavily in favor of performance-based compensation for our Named Executives.

#### Elements of Compensation

Our compensation program is designed to reward each Named Executive based upon a combination of corporate and individual performance. Corporate performance is evaluated by reviewing the extent to which pre-set goals are met, which generally include the achievement of specified operational and financial goals; specific research, clinical, regulatory, commercial or compliance milestones; and business development and financing initiatives. We evaluate individual performance in part by reviewing the extent to which individual performance facilitated the achievement of the corporate and business goals discussed above.

The compensation package offered to each Named Executive is comprised of a combination of:

base salary;
annual incentive cash bonus awards;
annual equity awards;
other benefits, such as health, dental, disability and life insurance; and
severance and change-of-control payments.

We maintain broad-based benefits that are provided to eligible employees, including health, dental, life and disability insurance and a 401(k) plan. Our Named Executives are eligible to participate in all of our employee benefit plans, in each case on the same basis as other employees.

Base Salary. Base salaries are established for our Named Executives at levels that are intended to reflect the scope of each Named Executive's industry experience, knowledge and qualifications, salary levels in effect for comparable positions within our peer group companies and internal comparability considerations. We believe that base salaries are a fundamental element of our executive compensation program. Base salaries are reviewed at least annually by our compensation committee and are adjusted from time to time to ensure that our executive compensation structure remains aligned with our compensation objectives and are based upon various subjective criteria and the compensation paid by peer group companies. Subjective performance criteria include an executive's ability to lead through

motivating and inspiring others, demonstrate the skills necessary to perform effectively in his or her area of responsibility, recognize and pursue new business opportunities and initiate programs that enhance our growth and success.

#### 2011 Base Salary

The compensation committee reviewed the salaries of the Named Executives at its January 2011 meeting. The compensation committee had previously approved a 3.5% merit increase for all employees in connection with its review of survey data of industry trends. The compensation committee used that target as well as performance review input for each of the Named Executives to approve salary increases to be effective as of January 1, 2011. In addition, the compensation committee noted that peer group data showed that the salary for Mr. Shea was below the 25<sup>th</sup> percentile of others in his role within our peer group and that Mr. Wheeler's cash compensation was below the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile of others in his role within our peer group. The committee agreed to move both executives' salary closer to the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile of our peer group. Based on the foregoing information, the compensation committee approved a salary increase for the Named Executives to be effective as of January 1, 2011 as set forth below:

		2010		2011	
Name	Ba	se Salary	Ba	se Salary	Increase
Craig A. Wheeler	\$	549,016	\$	576,467	5.0%
Richard P. Shea	\$	302,253	\$	340,035	12.5%
James M. Roach	\$	355,212	\$	367,644	3.5%
Ganesh Venkataraman Kaundinya	\$	346,135	\$	359,980	4.0%
Bruce A. Leicher	\$	336,996	\$	348,791	3.5%

#### 2012 Base Salary

The compensation committee reviewed the salaries of the Named Executives at its January 2012 meeting. The compensation committee had previously approved a 3.5% merit increase for all employees in connection with its review of survey data of industry trends. The compensation committee used that target as well as performance review input for each of the Named Executives to approve salary increases to be effective as of January 1, 2012. Based on the foregoing information, the compensation committee approved salary increases for the Named Executives to be effective as of January 1, 2012 as set forth below:

		2011		2012	
Name	Ba	se Salary	Ba	ase Salary	Increase
Craig A. Wheeler	\$	576,467	\$	600,000	4.1%
Richard P. Shea	\$	340,035	\$	350,236	3.0%
James M. Roach	\$	367,644	\$	380,511	3.5%
Ganesh Venkataraman Kaundinya	\$	359,980	\$	374,379	4.0%
Bruce A. Leicher	\$	348,791	\$	360,999	3.5%
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Annual Incentive Cash Bonus. We use annual incentive cash bonuses to motivate our Named Executives to achieve and exceed specified goals in a time frame that is one year in duration. Annual incentive cash bonuses are determined on the basis of our achievement of corporate performance targets and individual contribution toward those corporate goals. Our corporate goals are typically focused upon the achievement of specific research, clinical, regulatory, commercial, financial, compliance or operational milestones. These goals are also considered to be conducive to the creation of stockholder value and designed to contribute to our current and future financial success.

Under our annual incentive cash bonus program, corporate goals are proposed by management and approved by the compensation committee and the board of directors. Each corporate goal is assigned a percentage value (e.g., 10%, 15%, 20%, etc.) and within each corporate goal there are achievement milestones that are expressed in the following target percentages: 70%, 100% and 130%. If a corporate goal does not meet at least the 70% target percentage, no achievement percentage is assigned. If, for example, we were to achieve 100% of our corporate goals, but only to the extent of the 70% target percentage within each goal, the annual bonus pool for that year would be 70% of the aggregate bonus potential for all participants. In addition, our compensation committee has the discretion to take into consideration mitigating and/or extraordinary circumstances when determining the level of achievement of goals and related milestones. The CEO's annual incentive bonus award is completely dependent upon the achievement of corporate goals, and senior vice presidents' and vice presidents' target bonuses are 75% dependent upon the achievement of corporate goals and 25% dependent upon the subjective analysis of their individual performance in relation to the corporate goals.

The target bonus potential for the CEO is 60% of base salary, with a maximum bonus opportunity equal to 150% of his base salary. The target bonus potential for the other Named Executives is 35% of base salary. Bonuses, if any, are determined and paid on an annual basis after completion of the fiscal year in which bonuses are earned.

The corporate goals for 2011 were:

enabling manufacture of enoxaparin sodium injection (15%);
advancing our M356, M402, research and follow-on biologics programs (25%, 10%, 10% and 5%, respectively);
achievement of business development goals (15%);
advancement of our corporate strategic plan (10%); and
achievement of financial discipline goals (10%).

In assessing the achievement of these goals, the compensation committee considered the recommendations of our CEO, who, with input from the other executive officers, assessed our performance against corporate goals for 2011 and made recommendations to the board of directors and the compensation committee. The compensation committee then reviewed and discussed these recommendations, taking into account mitigating and/or extraordinary circumstances. In January 2012, the compensation committee made a determination of the achievement of the corporate goals at 101.5% and, in its discretion, awarded an additional 8.5% to the achievement level of corporate goals related to significant achievements during the year, including maintaining sole generic status for enoxaparin sodium injection for three fiscal quarters in 2011, success in litigation matters, and successful completion of business development transactions. As a result, the compensation committee

concluded that, including the additional achievements, our total achievement level of the 2011 corporate goals was 110%, as follows:

Corporate Goal	Percentage Value (%)	Actual Level of Achievement (%)
Enabling manufacture of Enoxaparin Sodium Injection	15	130
Advancement of our M356 Program Regulatory	10	70
Advancement of our M356 Program Development	10	70
Advancement of our M356 Program Litigation	5	100
Advancement of our M402 Program	10	70
Advancement of our Research Program	10	100
Advancement of our Biologics Program	5	70
Achievement of Business Development Goals	15	130
Advancement of Corporate Strategy Plan	10	130
Financial Discipline Goals	10	100
Additional Achievements	8.5	100

In January 2012, the compensation committee reviewed each Named Executive's performance recommendation as submitted by the CEO and our Senior Vice President, Human Resources. The individual objectives for our Named Executives included meeting specified targets in the following areas: successfully managing the business to the budget; business development achievements; pipeline development; and strategic planning. Based on the 110% corporate goal achievements (weighted 100% for Mr. Wheeler and 75% for all other Named Executives), and subjective analysis of their individual performance in relation to the corporate goals (weighted 25% for all Named Executives except Mr. Wheeler), in January 2012, we paid bonuses to our Named Executives for their performance in 2011 representing the following percentages of base salary as of December 31, 2011:

Name	Target Bonus Potential as a Percentage of Base Salary	2011 Bonus Payment	Percentage of 2011 Base Salary	Percentage of Target Bonus
Craig A. Wheeler	60%	\$ 380,468	66.0%	110.0%
Richard P. Shea	35%	\$ 127,641	37.5%	107.3%
James M. Roach	35%	\$ 141,543	38.5%	110.0%
Ganesh Venkataraman Kaundinya	35%	\$ 138,592	38.5%	110.0%
Bruce A. Leicher	35%	\$ 139,320	39.9%	114.1%

In February 2012, our compensation committee met to establish corporate goals for 2012, which are: enabling manufacture of enoxaparin sodium injection (10%); advancing our M356, M402, research and follow-on biologics programs (30%, 5%, 10% and 30%, respectively); maintain market capitalization (5%); and achievement of financial discipline goals (10%).

*Special Cash Bonus 2011.* In January 2012, our compensation committee approved a special bonus to Mr. Leicher in the amount of \$40,000 in recognition of his efforts regarding various litigation matters and government affairs endeavors undertaken for the company during 2011.

*Equity Awards.* Compensation for employees, including executive officers, also includes equity awards designed to align the long-term interests of our employees and our stockholders and to assist in the retention of executives. We believe that equity compensation is a critical component of competitive compensation in the industry in which we operate.

We award initial stock option grants to executives when they join Momenta or are promoted to executive officer. The size of an initial stock option grant is generally targeted to be within a pre-set range and is approved by the compensation committee. Initial stock option grants typically vest as to 25% of the shares subject to such option one year from the date of grant and 6.25% of the shares

subject to such option vest on a quarterly basis thereafter. Annual performance grants are also made pursuant to a pre-set range approved by the board of directors and set forth on a matrix that is generally intended to reflect the level of the employee's position with us as well as an individual's performance relative to his or her goals and other employees at the same performance and position level. These stock option grants are typically made annually in conjunction with the review of individual performance. This review takes place at the beginning of each fiscal year for performance in the previous year, and is reviewed and awarded annually, typically at the regularly scheduled meeting of the compensation committee following completion of company-wide performance reviews. Performance options generally vest quarterly over a four-year period commencing three months from the date of grant. Stock option grants, whether made either by the CEO or by the compensation committee, are made on regularly-scheduled monthly dates that occur outside of regularly-scheduled quarterly financial blackout periods.

We have also made restricted stock awards to our CEO and executives as a complement to granting stock options in order to balance the volatility of the price of stock options and to assist with compliance with our stock ownership guidelines. In addition, we have made special restricted stock awards from time to time. When such restricted stock has been awarded, the circumstances were carefully evaluated and we focused on factors such as the individual's contribution to Momenta, his or her importance to Momenta and, in some cases, the achievement of key milestones.

For 2011 performance, our compensation committee approved annual stock option grants to all of our employees, including the Named Executives, and also approved the award of restricted stock to executives, including the Named Executives. The compensation committee does not use a quantitative formula to relate option grants or restricted stock awards to the degree to which an individual achieved his or her goals for a particular year. Goal achievement and non-goal specific activities are considered when making the assessment of an executive's overall contribution. The compensation committee intends that the annual aggregate value of awards (using the Black Scholes model or equivalent valuation methodology) to executives will be set near competitive levels for companies represented in the compensation data it reviews from its compensation consultants.

The compensation committee reviewed equity awards for 2011 performance of the Named Executives in February 2012. At that meeting, the compensation committee approved the following equity awards for our Named Executives as follows:

	Number of Shares of Common Stock Underlying	Shares of Restricted
Name	Stock Options(1)	Common Stock(2)
Craig A. Wheeler	150,000	60,000
Richard P. Shea	20,000	7,000
James M. Roach	26,183	10,473
Ganesh Venkataraman Kaundinya	26,183	10,473
Bruce A. Leicher	30,000	13,000

- (1) The shares of common stock underlying these options vest as to 6.25% of the shares at the end of each three-month period after the date of grant.
- These shares of common stock are subject to a restricted stock agreement, pursuant to which 25% of such shares vest and become free from forfeiture on the first anniversary of the date of grant and an additional 6.25% of the shares vest and become free from forfeiture at the end of each successive three-month period thereafter.

Special Equity Award 2011. In March 2011, our compensation committee approved awards of restricted stock to all employees with vesting tied to approval by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration of the abbreviated new drug application for M356, our generic version of Copaxone®, currently under review. If approved, this will be a major milestone for us and the compensation

committee wanted to provide incentive and reward to employees in the event of approval. As a result, awards of restricted stock were made to our Named Executives as follows:

	Shares of Restricted
Name	Common Stock(1)
Craig A. Wheeler	147,500
Richard P. Shea	45,000
James M. Roach	45,000
Ganesh Venkataraman Kaundinya	45,000
Bruce A. Leicher	45,000

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Fifty percent of the shares vest on the date that we (or any of our collaborative partners) receive marketing approval from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for M356 in the United States provided that approval occurs on or before March 28, 2015, and the remaining fifty percent of the shares vest on the first anniversary of such initial vest date; provided, however that all of the shares shall vest if we consummate a transaction whereby our tangible or intangible assets in or related to M356 are transferred to a third party.

Timing and Pricing of Option Grants. The compensation committee's procedure for timing of equity grants is intended to ensure that grant timing is not manipulated to result in a price that is favorable to employees. Commencing in 2007, the annual equity grant date for all eligible employees, including the Named Executives, is the date of the regularly scheduled meeting of the compensation committee following completion of company-wide performance reviews. The grant date timing is driven by the fact that it coincides with our calendar-year-based performance management cycle, allowing us to deliver the equity awards close in time to performance appraisals, which increases the impact of the awards by strengthening the link between pay and performance.

Aside from the annual equity grant, it is our policy that options will normally be granted:

to non-employee members of the board of directors, on the date of our annual general meeting each calendar year; and

to newly-hired employees on regularly scheduled monthly dates after their date of hire, which monthly dates are scheduled outside of quarterly earnings blackout periods.

The compensation committee sets the exercise price of all stock options to equal the closing price of our common stock on the NASDAQ Global Market on the day before the date of grant in the case of annual non-employee director grants, and the date of grant for all other grants.

Other Elements of Compensation and Perquisites. In order to attract, retain and pay market levels of compensation, we provide our executive officers and other employees the following benefits and perquisites:

*Medical Insurance.* We provide to our Named Executives, their spouses, domestic partners and children, health, dental and vision insurance coverage that we generally make available to other employees. We pay a portion of the premiums for this insurance for all employees.

Life and Disability Insurance. We provide each Named Executive disability and/or life insurance that we may from time to time make available to other executive employees of the same level of employment. Our CEO also receives reimbursement for an additional \$3.0 million dollar life and disability policy, capped at a maximum of \$5,000 of reimbursement premium per year.

Defined Contribution Plan. We offer a Section 401(k) Savings/Retirement Plan, or the 401(k) Plan, a tax-qualified retirement plan, to eligible employees. The 401(k) Plan permits eligible employees to defer up to 60% of their annual eligible compensation, subject to certain limitations imposed by the Internal Revenue Code, which we refer to as the Code. The employees' elective deferrals are

immediately vested and non-forfeitable in the 401(k) Plan. In any plan year, we will contribute to each participant a matching contribution equal to 50% of the first 6% of the participant's compensation that he or she has contributed to the plan. Our contribution is subject to vesting at the rate of 25% at the end of each year over the first four years of employment. All of our Named Executives participated in the 401(k) Plan during 2011 and received matching contributions.

Employee Stock Purchase Plan. We also offer an Employee Stock Purchase Plan, or the ESPP. The ESPP is available to all of our employees, including the Named Executives, who work more than 20 hours in a week and five months during the course of a year. Under the ESPP, eligible participants purchase shares of our common stock at a discount of 15% from the fair market value of the lower of the beginning date or end date of the applicable purchase period. The purchase dates occur on the last business day of January and July of each year. To pay for the shares, each participant may authorize periodic payroll deductions ranging from 1% to 15% of his or her cash compensation, subject to certain limitations imposed by applicable law. All payroll deductions collected from the participant during a plan period are automatically applied to the purchase of common stock on that period's purchase date provided the participant remains an eligible employee and has not withdrawn from the ESPP prior to that date.

Other. We make available certain other perquisites or fringe benefits to all eligible employees, including the Named Executives, such as tuition reimbursement, parking fees, mass transit commuting passes, professional society dues, gym subsidies, cell phones and food and recreational fees incidental to official company functions, including board meetings. The CEO is also entitled to financial and tax advice and reimbursement of expenses in connection with using his personal airplane for business purposes (up to the equivalent amount of a first class commercial fare per usage).

Severance and Change-of-Control Benefits. Pursuant to employment agreements, our Named Executives are entitled to specified benefits in the event of the termination of their employment under specified circumstances, including termination without cause and for good reason following a change of control of Momenta.

We believe that severance protections, particularly in the context of a change-of-control transaction, can play a valuable role in attracting and retaining executive officers, are an important part of an executive's compensation and are consistent with competitive practices. Accordingly, we provide such protections for our Named Executives and certain other executive officers. We believe that the occurrence, or potential occurrence, of a change-of-control will create uncertainty regarding the continued employment of our Named Executives. This uncertainty results from the fact that many change-of-control transactions result in significant organizational changes, particularly at the senior executive level. Our practice, in the case of our employment agreements, has been to structure these change-of-control benefits as "double trigger" benefits. In other words, the change of control does not itself trigger benefits; rather, benefits are paid only if the employment of the Named Executive is terminated during the twelve-month (or 24-month in the case of the CEO) period after the change of control. We believe a "double trigger" benefit maximizes stockholder value because it prevents an unintended windfall to executives in the event of a friendly change of control, while still providing them appropriate incentives to cooperate in negotiating any change of control in which they believe they may lose their jobs. Because we believe that a termination by the executive for good reason is conceptually the same as a termination by us without cause, and that in the context of a change-of-control potential acquirers would otherwise have an incentive to constructively terminate the executive's employment to avoid paying severance, we provide severance benefits in these circumstances. We have provided more detailed information about these benefits, along with estimates of their value under various circumstances, under the captions " Employment, Severance and Change of Control Arrangements" and " Potential Termination and Change

#### **Tax Considerations**

Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, places a limit of \$1,000,000 per person on the amount of compensation that a public company may deduct in any year with respect to its chief executive officer and the three most highly compensated named executive officers employed by the company at the end of the year (other than the company's chief financial officer). However, some forms of performance-based compensation are excluded from the \$1,000,000 deduction limit if certain requirements are met. Our compensation committee has not adopted a policy requiring all executive compensation to be fully deductible. However, our compensation committee reviews the potential impact of section 162(m) periodically and, if consistent with its goals of sustained profitability and creation of long-term stockholder value, may seek to structure executive officer compensation to allow deductions under section 162(m). Our compensation committee reserves the right to use its judgment to authorize compensation payments that may be subject to the section 162(m) limitation when it believes these payments are appropriate.

#### **SUMMARY COMPENSATION TABLE FOR 2011**

The following table sets forth information regarding compensation earned by Named Executives.

				I	Non-Equity		
			Stock	Option	Incentive Plan	All Other	
		Salary	Awards(1)			ompensation(2)	Total
Name and Principal Position	Year	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)
Craig A. Wheeler	2011	576,467	3,140,625	869,920	380,468	23,345	4,990,825
President, Chief Executive Officer	2010	549,016	1,152,750	993,200	494,115	23,510	3,212,591
and Director	2009	530,450	782,250	840,480	218,015	43,152	2,414,347
Richard P. Shea	2011	340,035	777,683	201,630	127,641	11,670	1,458,659
Senior Vice President and Chief	2010	302,253	146,015	235,885	158,682	11,490	854,325
Financial Officer	2009	292,032	89,177	143,722	68,264	11,435	604,630
	2011	265.644	coo	201 (20		44.670	1 500 150
James M. Roach	2011	367,644	777,683	201,630	141,543	11,670	1,500,170
Chief Medical Officer	2010	355,212	146,015	235,885	186,487	11,490	935,089
and Senior Vice President,	2000	242.200	00.005	150 (01	02.202	11 470	605.700
Development	2009	343,200	99,085	159,691	82,282	11,470	695,728
Ganesh Venkataraman Kaundinya	2011	359,980	789,975	221,786	138,592	12,018	1,522,351
Chief Scientific Officer and Senior	2010	346,135	160,617	259,474	184,386	11,925	962,537
Vice President, Research	2009	314,668	94,131	151,707	77,328	11,847	649,681
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Bruce A. Leicher	2011	348,791	777,683	201,630	179,320	11,370	1,518,794
Senior Vice President, General		,	ŕ	,	Í	,	, ,
Counsel	2010	336,996	146,015	235,885	176,922	11,370	907,188
and Secretary							

Valuation based on the aggregate grant date fair value of stock and option awards computed in accordance with the Financial Accounting Standards Board, or FASB, Accounting Standards Codification, or ASC, Topic 718, Stock Compensation (excluding the effect of estimated forfeitures). These amounts include awards of restricted stock that contain a performance condition: the marketing approval from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for M356 in the United States. The Company determined that it is probable this performance condition will be achieved. The aggregate grant date fair value of stock and option awards do not correspond to the actual value that will be realized by the Named Executive upon vesting or exercise of such award. The assumptions used by us with respect to the valuation of stock and option awards are set forth in Note 11 to our financial statements contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for year ended December 31, 2011 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 28, 2012.

(2) The following table sets forth information regarding all other compensation for the year ended December 31, 2011:

Name	Tax Advice Expense (\$)	Insurance Expense (\$)	Tax Gross-up (\$)	401(k) Match (\$)	Parking/ Transit/Fuel Expense (\$)	Gym Fees (\$)	Insurance Premiums (\$)	Total (\$)
Craig A. Wheeler	5,000	5,000	3,175	7,350	1,620		1,200	23,345
Richard P. Shea				7,350	3,120		1,200	11,670
James M. Roach				7,350	3,120		1,200	11,670
Ganesh Venkataraman Kaundinya				7,350	3,120	348	1,200	12,018
Bruce A. Leicher				7,350	2,820		1,200	11,370
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#### 2011 GRANTS OF PLAN-BASED AWARDS

The following table sets forth information regarding awards made to our Named Executives during the year ended December 31, 2011:

Name Craig A. Wheeler	Type of Award(1) RS	Grant Date 3/28/2011(3)	Target (\$)	Maximum (\$)	Stock Awards: Number of Shares of Stock (#) 147,500	Option Awards: Number of Securities Underlying Options (#)	-	Grant Date Fair Value of Stock and Option Awards(7) (\$) 2,146,125
Cluig M. Wheeler	RS SO AIBP	2/22/2011(4) 2/22/2011(5) N/A	345,880	864,701	75,000	100,000	13.26	994,500 869,920
Richard P. Shea	RS RS SO AIBP	3/28/2011(3) 2/22/2011(4) 2/22/2011(5) N/A	119,012		45,000 9,271	23,178	13.26	654,750 122,933 201,630
James M. Roach	RS RS SO AIBP	3/28/2011(3) 2/22/2011(4) 2/22/2011(5) N/A	128,676		45,000 9,271	23,178	13.26	654,750 122,933 201,630
Ganesh Venkataraman Kaundinya	RS RS SO AIBP	3/28/2011(3) 2/22/2011(4) 2/22/2011(5) N/A	125,993		45,000 10,198	25,495	13.26	654,750 135,225 221,786
Bruce A. Leicher	RS RS SO AIBP	3/28/2011(3) 2/22/2011(4) 2/22/2011(5) N/A	122,077		45,000 9,271	23,178	13.26	654,750 122,933 201,630

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  Type of Award:

  AIBP = Annual Incentive Bonus Plan

  RS = Restricted Stock

  SO = Stock Option
- All awards in these columns were granted under our annual incentive cash bonus plan. The actual amounts awarded are reported in the "Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation" column in the Summary Compensation Table above. See "Executive Compensation Compensation Discussion and Analysis Elements of Compensation Annual Incentive Cash Bonus" for a description of this plan.
- These shares of common stock are subject to a restricted stock agreement dated March 28, 2011, pursuant to which 50% of such shares shall vest on the date that we (or any of our collaborative partners) receives marketing approval from the Food and Drug Administration for M356 in the United States, provided that approval occurs on or before March 28, 2015; and the remaining fifty percent (50%) of the shares shall vest on the first anniversary of such initial vest date. The restricted common stock will only vest if the recipient is an employee of ours as of the applicable vesting date.
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  These shares of common stock are subject to a restricted stock agreement dated February 22, 2011, pursuant to which 25% of such shares vested and became free from forfeiture on February 22, 2012 and an additional 6.25% of the shares vest and become free from forfeiture at the end of each successive three-month period thereafter.
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  The shares of common stock underlying this option vest as to 6.25% of the shares at the end of each three-month period beginning on February 22, 2011.
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  The exercise price of the applicable stock option is equal to the closing price of our common stock as reported by the NASDAQ Global Market on the date of grant.

Valuation based on the aggregate grant date fair value of stock and option awards computed in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 718 (excluding the effect of estimated forfeitures). These amounts include awards of restricted stock that contain a performance condition: the marketing approval from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for M356 in the United States. The Company determined that it is probable this performance condition will be achieved. The aggregate grant date fair value of stock and option awards do not correspond to the actual value that will be realized by the Named Executive upon vesting or exercise of such award. The assumptions used by us with respect to the valuation of stock and option awards are set forth in Note 11 to our financial statements contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for year ended December 31, 2011 as filed with the Securities and

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Exchange Commission on February 28, 2012.

# **OUTSTANDING EQUITY AWARDS AT 2011 YEAR-END**

The following table sets forth information regarding outstanding stock options and awards of restricted stock held by our Named Executives as of December 31, 2011:

	Option Awards Number of Number of				Stock Av	vards
Name	Securities Underlying Unexercised Options Exercisable (#)	Securities Underlying Unexercised Options Unexercisable (#)	Option Exercise Price (\$)	Option Expiration Date	Number of Shares That Have Not Vested (#)	Market Value of Shares That Have Not Vested(1) (\$)
Craig A. Wheeler	375,000(2)		16.18	8/21/2016	4,688(3)	81,524
	70,750(4)	6,250	7.41	2/22/2018	23,438(5)	407,587
	68,750(6)	31,250	10.43	2/25/2019	42,188(7)	733,649
	43,750(8) 18,750(10)	56,250 81,250	15.37 13.26	2/18/2020 2/22/2021	75,000(9) 147,500(11)	1,304,250 2,565,025
Richard P. Shea	18,730(10)	81,230	15.20	2/22/2021	147,300(11)	2,303,023
Richard F. Shea	108,800(12)		0.61	10/27/2013	675(3)	11,738
	12,800(13)		4.91	3/24/2014	2,673(5)	46,483
	11,250(14)		6.88	1/31/2015	5,344(7)	92,932
	18,750(15)		23.62	3/6/2016	9,271(9)	161,223
	7,000(16)		12.81	2/21/2017	45,000(11)	782,550
	15,000(17)		10.41	8/14/2017		
	32,578(4)	2,172	7.41	2/22/2018		
	11,756(6)	5,344	10.43	2/25/2019		
	10,390(8)	13,360	15.37	2/18/2020		
	4,345(10)	18,833	13.26	2/22/2021		
James M. Roach	150.040	10.155	<b>5.41</b>	2/22/2010	2.060	51 (21
	152,343(4)	10,157	7.41	2/22/2018	2,969(5)	51,631
	13,062(6)	5,938	10.43	2/25/2019	5,344(7)	92,932
	10,390(8)	13,360	15.37	2/18/2020	9,271(9)	161,223
Ganesh Venkataraman	4,345(10)	18,833	13.26	2/22/2021	45,000(11)	782,550
Kaundinya	7,200(18)		0.99	4/6/2014	313(3)	5,443
•	31,200(18)		4.91	4/6/2014	2,821(5)	49,057
	25,000(14)		6.88	1/31/2015	5,879(7)	102,236
	15,000(16)		12.81	2/21/2017	10,198(9)	177,343
	32,578(4)	2,172	7.41	2/22/2018	45,000(11)	782,550
	12,408(6)	5,642	10.43	2/25/2019		
	11,429(8)	14,696	15.37	2/18/2020		
	4,780(10)	20,715	13.26	2/22/2021		
Bruce A. Leicher	81,250(19)	18,750	15.12	8/19/2018	4.688(20)	81,524
	9,143(6)	4,157	10.43	2/25/2019	2,079(5)	36,154
	10,390(8)	13,360	15.37	2/18/2020	5,344(7)	92,932
	4,345(10)	18,833	13.26	2/22/2021	9,271(9)	161,223
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<sup>(1)</sup> Based on \$17.39 per share, the last sale price of Momenta common stock on December 30, 2011.

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<sup>(2)</sup> Represents two option grants made on August 22, 2006, each with an exercise price of \$16.18. The shares of common stock underlying these options vested as to 25% of the shares on August 22, 2007 and as to an additional 6.25% of the shares at the end of each successive three-month period thereafter.

These shares of common stock are subject to a restricted stock agreement dated February 22, 2008, pursuant to which 25% of such shares vested and became free from forfeiture on February 22, 2009 and an additional 6.25% of the shares vest and become free from forfeiture at the end of each successive three-month period thereafter.

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The shares of common stock underlying these options vest as to 6.25% of the shares at the end of each three-month period beginning on May 22, 2008.

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  These shares of common stock are subject to a restricted stock agreement dated February 25, 2009, pursuant to which 25% of such shares vested and became free from forfeiture on February 25, 2010 and an additional 6.25% of the shares vest and become free from forfeiture at the end of each successive three-month period thereafter.
- (6) The shares of common stock underlying these options vest as to 6.25% of the shares at the end of each three-month period beginning on May 25, 2009.
- These shares of common stock are subject to a restricted stock agreement dated February 18, 2010, pursuant to which 25% of such shares vested and became free from forfeiture on February 18, 2011 and an additional 6.25% of the shares vest and become free from forfeiture at the end of each successive three-month period thereafter.
- (8) The shares of common stock underlying these options vest as to 6.25% of the shares at the end of each three-month period beginning on May 18, 2010.
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  These shares of common stock are subject to a restricted stock agreement dated February 22, 2011, pursuant to which 25% of such shares vested and became free from forfeiture on February 22, 2012 and an additional 6.25% of the shares vest and become free from forfeiture at the end of each successive three-month period thereafter.
- (10) The shares of common stock underlying these options vest as to 6.25% of the shares at the end of each three-month period beginning on February 22, 2011.
- These shares of common stock are subject to a restricted stock agreement dated March 28, 2011, pursuant to which 50% of such shares shall vest on the date that the Company (or any of the Company's partners or collaborators) receives marketing approval from the Food and Drug Administration for M356, a generic version of Copaxone® (glatiramer acetate injection), in the United States, provided that approval occurs on or before March 28, 2015; and the remaining fifty percent (50%) of the shares shall vest on the first anniversary of such initial vest date. The restricted common stock will only vest if the recipient is an employee of the Company as of the applicable vesting date.
- The shares of common stock underlying this option vested as to 25% of the shares on October 28, 2004 and as to an additional 6.25% of the shares at the end of each successive three-month period thereafter.
- (13) The shares of common stock underlying this option vested as to 25% of the shares on October 29, 2004 and as to an additional 6.25% of the shares at the end of each successive three-month period thereafter.
- (14) The shares of common stock underlying this option vested as to 6.25% of the shares at the end of each three-month period beginning on May 1, 2005.
- (15)

  The shares of common stock underlying this option vested as to 6.25% of the shares at the end of each three-month period beginning on June 7, 2006.
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  The shares of common stock underlying this option vested as to 6.25% of the shares at the end of each three-month period beginning on May 22, 2007.
- (17) The shares of common stock underlying this option vested as to 6.25% of the shares at the end of each three-month period beginning on November 15, 2007.
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  To avoid unintended adverse tax consequences to Dr. Kaundinya under Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code, we and Dr. Kaundinya amended an outstanding stock option to purchase 38,400 shares of common stock with an original exercise price of

\$0.99 per share. As amended, the portion of the original option vested as of December 31, 2004, or 7,200 shares, remained in full force and effect and continued to have an exercise price of \$0.99. The remaining portion of such option was deemed cancelled and a replacement option for the purchase of 31,200 shares was deemed granted to Dr. Kaundinya on December 30, 2005 with an exercise price equal to \$4.91 per share. The shares of common stock underlying this replacement option vested as to 12,000 shares on January 1, 2006 and as to an additional 6.25% of the shares at the end of each three-month period beginning on April 1, 2006.

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  The shares of common stock underlying this option vested as to 25% of the shares on August 19, 2009 and as to an additional 6.25% of the shares at the end of each successive three-month period thereafter.
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  These shares of common stock are subject to a restricted stock agreement dated August 19, 2008, pursuant to which 25% of such shares vested and became free from forfeiture on August 19, 2009 and an additional 6.25% of the shares vest and become free from forfeiture at the end of each successive three-month period thereafter.
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  The shares of common stock underlying this option vested as to 25% of the shares on December 15, 2007 and as to an additional 6.25% of the shares at the end of each successive three-month period thereafter.

#### 2011 OPTION EXERCISES AND STOCK VESTED

The following table sets forth information regarding options exercised by our Named Executives and shares of restricted stock that vested and became free from forfeiture during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011.

	Option A Number of	wards	Stock Av Number of	wards
Name	Shares Acquired on Exercise (#)	Value Realized on Exercise (\$)(1)	Shares Acquired on Vesting (#)	Value Realized on Vesting(2) (\$)
Craig A. Wheeler	23,000	287,437	70,312	1,080,416
Richard P. Shea			11,806	184,495
James M. Roach			6,531	99,698
Ganesh Venkataraman Kaundinya			8,077	123,527
Bruce A. Leicher			12,069	186,774

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  Value realized on exercise is based on the closing sale price of our common stock on the applicable date of exercise less the applicable option exercise price.
- (2) Value realized upon vesting is based on the closing sale price of our common stock on the applicable vesting date.

#### **Employment, Severance and Change of Control Arrangements**

#### Craig A. Wheeler Employment Agreement

On August 22, 2006, we entered into an employment agreement with Craig A. Wheeler, pursuant to which Mr. Wheeler serves as our President and CEO and as a member of the board of directors. In December 2010, Mr. Wheeler's employment agreement was amended to ensure compliance with Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. Pursuant to his employment agreement, Mr. Wheeler receives an annual base salary determined by the compensation committee, which is \$600,000 for 2012. Mr. Wheeler is also eligible to receive bonuses of up to 150% of his base salary for the applicable fiscal year, with an annual bonus target of 60% of the then-applicable base salary. The compensation committee approved a \$380,468 bonus paid to Mr. Wheeler in 2012 based on our achievement of corporate goals in 2011. Mr. Wheeler is also entitled to specified benefits, including: participation in our sponsored benefit programs; reimbursement for life insurance premium expenses and related tax gross-up payments; and reimbursement of tax and financial advisor fees incurred by Mr. Wheeler during the period of his employment.

### Equity Awards

Mr. Wheeler's employment agreement also provided for the grant or issuance, as applicable, of certain stock-based awards, all of which have fully vested and are reflected in the Outstanding Equity Awards at 2011 Year End table to the extent still held by Mr. Wheeler. Since 2009, the grant of stock-based awards to Mr. Wheeler has been at the discretion of the board of directors in accordance with the overall equity practices of the company.

#### Termination of Employment

In the event that Mr. Wheeler's employment is terminated by us without cause, by reason of his death or disability or by him for good reason, other than in connection with a change in control (as those terms are defined in his employment agreement), the vesting schedule applicable to stock-based awards held by Mr. Wheeler at the time of such termination will accelerate by 25%.

In the event Mr. Wheeler's employment is terminated by us without cause within 24 months following a change of control (as such term is defined in the employment agreement) or is terminated by Mr. Wheeler for good reason within 24 months following a change of control, the unvested portions of all stock-based awards shall fully and immediately vest.

Under his employment agreement, Mr. Wheeler or Momenta may terminate his employment at any time. In the event Mr. Wheeler's employment is terminated without cause by us, as the result of death or disability or Mr. Wheeler terminates his employment for good reason, other than in connection with a change in control, we have agreed to pay Mr. Wheeler a lump sum equal to:

12 months of the highest base salary in effect during the 12 months prior to the date of termination; and

the greater of 60% of Mr. Wheeler's base salary or his last paid bonus.

Additionally, Mr. Wheeler and his dependents will receive comparable benefits for a maximum of 12 months following such termination subject to his re-employment with comparable benefits.

If Mr. Wheeler terminates his employment for good reason within 24 months following a change of control of Momenta, or if we terminate Mr. Wheeler's employment without cause within 24 months following a change of control, we have agreed to pay Mr. Wheeler a lump-sum cash payment equal to:

24 months of Mr. Wheeler's highest base-salary in effect during the 12 months prior to termination of his employment;

an amount equal to the greater of 60% of Mr. Wheeler's last two years of base salary or two times the last bonus paid to Mr. Wheeler; and

if the aggregate purchase price paid in a change of control transaction equals or exceeds \$1.1 billion, an additional amount equal to 12 months of base salary in effect at the time of Mr. Wheeler's termination and the greater of 60% of one year of base salary or the last bonus paid to Mr. Wheeler.

Additionally, Mr. Wheeler is entitled to a tax gross-up payment following such termination and Mr. Wheeler and his dependents will receive comparable benefits for a maximum of 36 months following such termination subject to his re-employment with comparable benefits.

#### Other Provisions

Our employment agreement with Mr. Wheeler also contains non-disclosure, non-competition and assignment of intellectual property terms. These terms provide for the protection of our confidential information, the transfer of ownership rights to intellectual property developed by Mr. Wheeler to us and a 12-month non-compete provision.

#### Executive Employment Agreements with Richard P. Shea, James M. Roach, Ganesh Venkataraman Kaundinya and Bruce A. Leicher

We have also entered into executive employment agreements, or the Executive Employment Agreements, with Richard P. Shea, James M. Roach, Ganesh Venkataraman Kaundinya and Bruce A. Leicher. In December 2010, each of the Executive Employment Agreements was amended to ensure compliance with Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

Salary, Bonus and Benefits

Pursuant to the Executive Employment Agreements, we have agreed to pay Messrs. Shea, Roach, Kaundinya and Leicher annual base salaries as determined by the compensation committee. If our board of directors approves an annual bonus, Messrs. Shea, Roach, Kaundinya and Leicher will be

eligible for a discretionary bonus award. The annual target for each executive's bonus will be 35% of the executive's annualized base salary. The compensation committee will determine, in its sole discretion, whether (and in what amount) a bonus award is payable to each executive. In order to be eligible for any bonus hereunder, the executive must be an active employee of Momenta on the date such bonus is paid.

Each executive shall be entitled to participate in all benefit plans and programs that we establish and make available to our employees to the extent that the executive is eligible under (and subject to the provisions of) the plan documents governing those programs.

Payments Upon Resignation by the Executive Without Good Reason or Termination by Us for Cause

If the executive voluntarily resigns his employment other than for good reason (as defined in each Executive Employment Agreement), or if we terminate the executive for cause (as defined in each Executive Employment Agreement), we shall pay the executive all accrued and unpaid base salary through the executive's date of termination and any vacation that is accrued but unused as of such date. The executive shall not be eligible for any severance or separation payments or any continuation of benefits (other than those provided for COBRA), or any other compensation pursuant to the Executive Employment Agreement or otherwise. The executive also shall have such rights, if any, with respect to outstanding stock options and restricted stock grants as may be provided under each applicable agreement.

Payments Upon Termination by Reason of Death or Disability, Termination Without Cause or Resignation for Good Reason

If the executive's employment with us is terminated by reason of the executive's death or disability (as defined in each Executive Employment Agreement), by us without cause, or by the executive's voluntary resignation for good reason, other than in connection with a change in control (as defined in each Executive Employment Agreement), then the executive shall be paid all accrued and unpaid base salary and any accrued but unused vacation through the date of termination. In addition, the executive shall be eligible to receive the following separation benefits:

an amount equal to the sum of 12 months of the executive's base salary as of the date of termination and the greater of (i) the annual discretionary target bonus established by our board of directors (or any other person or persons having authority with respect thereto) for the executive for the fiscal year in which the date of termination occurs or (ii) the annual bonus paid to the executive for the most recently completed fiscal year;

insurance, medical, dental, health and accident and disability benefits as in effect immediately prior to the termination date for a period of 12 months; and

continued vesting of any unvested stock options and any future stock option grants awarded to the executive after the date of the Executive Employment Agreement for a period of 12 months from the date of termination and an extension of the right to exercise any outstanding stock options on the earlier of three months after such 12-month period or the original expiration date of the applicable outstanding stock option. The executive shall also be entitled to immediate vesting, on the date of termination, of any restricted stock awards with underlying shares that vest solely through the passage of time (i.e., service-based vesting) and not upon the achievement of specified conditions or milestones (i.e., performance-based vesting), including any future restricted stock awards granted to the executive after the date of the Executive Employment Agreement that contain service-based vesting provisions, in each case that would have vested during the period of 12 months from the date of termination.

Payments Upon Termination in Connection with a Change of Control

If the executive's employment with the Company is terminated without cause or if the executive terminates his employment with good reason within one year following a change in control (as defined in each Executive Employment Agreement), the executive shall be entitled to all accrued and unpaid base salary and any accrued but unused vacation through the date of termination. In addition, the executive shall be eligible to receive the following separation benefits:

an amount equal to the sum of 12 months of the executive's base salary as of the date of termination and the greater of (i) the annual discretionary target bonus established by our board of directors (or any other person or persons having authority with respect thereto) for the executive for the fiscal year in which the date of termination occurs or (ii) the annual bonus paid to the executive for the most recently completed fiscal year;

insurance, medical, dental, health and accident and disability benefits as in effect immediately prior to the termination date for a period of 12 months; and

immediate vesting of any unvested stock options, restricted stock awards and any future grants awarded to the executive. All such equity awards (whether stock options or restricted stock grants) will remain exercisable in accordance with the applicable stock option plan or grant agreement.

Non-Competition, Non-Solicitation, Confidential Information and Developments

Each of Messrs. Shea, Roach, Kaundinya and Leicher have entered into agreements providing for the protection of our confidential information, the transfer of ownership rights to intellectual property developed by each such executive to us and a 12-month non-compete provision.

#### **Potential Termination and Change of Control Payments**

Potential Termination and Change of Control Payments for Craig A. Wheeler

The following table describes the potential payments, benefits and acceleration of vesting applicable to stock options and restricted stock awards under our employment agreement with Craig A. Wheeler. The amounts shown below assume that the termination of Mr. Wheeler was effective as of

December 31, 2011. Actual amounts payable to Mr. Wheeler upon his termination can only be determined definitively at the time of his actual departure.

Benefit	Termi	untary nation or ion for Cause	Caus Reas	ination Without se, Termination by son of Death or Disability, Resignation Good Reason	Ca f W	rmination Without nuse or Resignation for Good Reason (ithin 24 Months of a Change of Control
Accrued Obligations						
Unused Vacation	\$	32,149	\$	32,149	\$	32,149
Severance Benefits						
Lump-sum cash payment			\$	938,818(2)	\$	1,877,636(3)
Lump-sum payment with respect to business						
combination					\$	938,818(4)
Insurance/Healthcare benefits			\$	23,944(5)	\$	71,832(6)
Market Value of Stock Vesting on Termination(1)			\$	1,563,199(7)	\$	5,821,098(8)
Gross-Up Payments					\$	4,118,947(9)
Total	\$	32,149	\$	2,558,110	\$	12,860,480

- (1) Based on the last sale price of our common stock on December 30, 2011, which was \$17.39 per share.
- (2)

  Represents a lump sum payment equal to 12 months of the highest base salary in effect for Mr. Wheeler during the 12 months prior to his termination, or \$576,467, plus an amount equal to his last paid bonus, or \$362,351. This amount is to be paid in full six months and one day after the date of Mr. Wheeler's termination.
- Represents a lump sum payment equal to 24 months of the highest base salary in effect for Mr. Wheeler during the 12 months prior to his termination, or \$1,152,934, plus an amount equal to two times his last paid bonus, or \$724,702. This amount is to be paid in full six months and one day after the date of Mr. Wheeler's termination.
- Assumes that the change of control involves a business combination with an aggregate purchase price exceeding \$1.1 billion. In such event, Mr. Wheeler is entitled to an additional lump sum payment equal to 12 months of the highest base salary in effect for Mr. Wheeler during the 12 months prior to his termination, or \$576,467, plus an amount equal to his last paid bonus, or \$362,351.
- (5)

  Represents benefits payable over 12 months for continuation of coverage under medical and dental plans for Mr. Wheeler and his dependents subject to Mr. Wheeler's re-employment with comparable healthcare benefits. The value is based upon the type of insurance coverage we carried for Mr. Wheeler as of December 31, 2011 and is valued at the premiums in effect on December 31, 2011.
- Assumes that the change of control involves a business combination with an aggregate purchase price exceeding \$1.1 billion, and represents benefits payable over 36 months for continuation of coverage under medical and dental plans for Mr. Wheeler and his dependents subject to Mr. Wheeler's re-employment with comparable healthcare benefits. In the event the aggregate purchase price is less than \$1.1 billion, Mr. Wheeler would be entitled to 24 months continuation of coverage under medical and dental plans for Mr. Wheeler and his dependents subject to Mr. Wheeler's re-employment with comparable healthcare benefits, with a value equal to \$71,832. This value is based upon the type of insurance coverage we carried for Mr. Wheeler as of December 31, 2011 and is valued at the premiums in effect on December 31, 2011.
- (7)

  Represents the acceleration of vesting by 12 months on 75,000 shares of common stock subject to a restricted stock agreement between us and Mr. Wheeler dated February 22, 2008 and 100,000

shares of common stock underlying stock options granted to Mr. Wheeler dated February 22, 2008. Additionally, vesting is accelerated by 25% on 75,000 shares of common stock subject to a restricted stock agreement between us and Mr. Wheeler dated February 25, 2009, 100,000 shares of common stock underlying stock options granted to Mr. Wheeler on February 25, 2009, 75,000 shares of common stock subject to a restricted stock agreement between us and Mr. Wheeler dated February 18, 2010, 100,000 shares of common stock underlying stock options granted to Mr. Wheeler on February 18, 2010, 75,000 shares of common stock subject to a restricted stock agreement between us and Mr. Wheeler dated February 22, 2011, 100,000 shares of common stock underlying stock options granted to Mr. Wheeler on February 22, 2011 and 147,500 shares of common stock subject to a restricted stock agreement between us and Mr. Wheeler dated March 28, 2011. If Mr. Wheeler's employment with us is terminated without cause in periods after December 31, 2011, acceleration of vesting to additional equity awards will apply. See the discussion in this proxy statement under the heading "Employment, Severance and Change of Control Arrangements Craig A. Wheeler Employment Agreement."

- Represents the immediate vesting in full of 75,000 shares of common stock subject to a restricted stock agreement between us and Mr. Wheeler dated February 22, 2008, 100,000 shares of common stock underlying stock options granted to Mr. Wheeler dated February 22, 2008, 75,000 shares of common stock subject to a restricted stock agreement between us and Mr. Wheeler dated February 25, 2009, 100,000 shares of common stock underlying stock options granted to Mr. Wheeler on February 25, 2009, 75,000 shares of common stock subject to a restricted stock agreement between us and Mr. Wheeler dated February 18, 2010, 100,000 shares of common stock underlying stock options granted to Mr. Wheeler on February 18, 2010, 75,000 shares of common stock subject to a restricted stock agreement between us and Mr. Wheeler dated February 22, 2011, 100,000 shares of common stock underlying stock options granted to Mr. Wheeler on February 22, 2011 and 147,500 shares of common stock subject to a restricted stock agreement between us and Mr. Wheeler dated March 28, 2011. If Mr. Wheeler's employment with us is terminated without cause in periods after December 31, 2011, acceleration of vesting to additional equity awards will apply. See the discussion in this proxy statement under the heading "Employment, Severance and Change of Control Arrangements Craig A. Wheeler Employment Agreement."
- (9) Represents the excise tax payable under section 280G of the United States Internal Revenue Code.

Potential Termination and Change of Control Payments for Messrs. Shea, Roach, Kaundinya and Leicher

The following table describes the potential payments, benefits and acceleration of vesting applicable to stock options and restricted stock awards under our Executive Employment Agreements with each of Messrs. Shea, Roach, Kaundinya and Leicher. The amounts shown below assume that the termination of each executive was effective as of December 31, 2011 and that each of the Executive Employment Agreements was effective as of December 31, 2011. Actual amounts payable to each

Named Executive listed below upon his termination can only be determined definitively at the time of each Named Executive's actual departure.

Name	Benefit	Tern	untary nination or nination Cause	Termination Death, Disability, Wi Cause or for Goo Reason Other than Connection Change of Co	thout od in with	Win Res Go	ermination thout Cause or ignation for ood Reason Within Months of a Change of Control
Richard P. Shea	Accrued Obligations Unused Vacation Severance Benefits Salary	\$	19,290	34	9,290		19,290
	Lump-sum cash payment Insurance/Healthcare benefits Market Value of Stock Vesting on Termination(1)			2	19,012(3) 23,944 28,776(6)		459,047(4) 23,944(5) 1,419,295(7)
	Total	\$	19,290	\$ 1,03	31,057	\$	1,921,576
James M. Roach	Accrued Obligations Unused Vacation Severance Benefits	\$	14,377	\$ 1	4,377	\$	14,377
	Salary Lump-sum cash payment Insurance/Healthcare Benefits Market Value of Stock			13	67,644(2) 86,757(3) 23,944		504,401(4) 23,944(5)
	Vesting on Termination(1) Total	\$	14,377		67,837(6) 10,559	\$	1,568,981(7) 2,111,703
Ganesh Venkataraman Kaundinya	Accrued Obligations Unused Vacation	\$	12 045	¢.	2 045	ď	12 045
	Severance Benefits Salary Lump-sum cash payment	\$	13,845	35	3,845 59,980(2) 35,927(3)		13,845 495,907(4)
	Insurance/Healthcare benefits Market Value of Stock				23,944	<b>'</b>	23,944(5)
	Vesting on Termination(1) Total	\$	13,845		8,377(6) 52,073	\$	1,525,995(7) 2,059,691
Bruce A. Leicher	Accrued Obligations Unused Vacation Severance Benefits	\$	15,092	\$ 1	5,092	\$	15,092
	Salary Lump-sum cash payment Insurance/Healthcare Benefits Market Value of Stock			12	18,791(2) 29,743(3) 23,944		478,534(4) 23,944(5)
	Vesting on Termination(1) Total	\$	15,092		0,502(6) 28,072	\$	1,615,216(7) 2,132,786

<sup>(1)</sup>Based on the last sale price of our common stock on December 30, 2011, which was \$17.39 per share.

<sup>(2)</sup>Represents an amount equal to the Named Executive's base salary payable over the applicable severance period.

Represents an amount equal to the greater of (i) the annual bonus paid to the Named Executive for the most recently completed fiscal year or (ii) the 2011 target bonus potential. Such amounts are to be paid within 30 days after the Named Executive's termination date. For more information relating to compensation earned by our Named Executives, see the section of this proxy statement entitled "Executive Compensation Summary Compensation Table."

<sup>(4)</sup>Represents an amount equal to the Named Executive's base salary plus the greater of (i) the annual bonus paid to the Named Executive for the most recently completed fiscal year or (ii) the 2011 target bonus potential. Such amounts are to be paid within 30 days after the Named Executive's

termination date. For more information relating to compensation earned by our Named Executives, see the section of this proxy statement entitled "Executive Compensation Summary Compensation Table."

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Represents amounts payable over 12 months for continuation of coverage for insurance, medical, dental, health and accident and disability benefits for each Named Executive and his family members subject to the Named Executive's

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re-employment with comparable healthcare benefits. The value is based upon the type of insurance coverage we carried for each Named Executive as of December 31, 2011 and is valued at the premiums in effect on December 31, 2011.

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Represents continued vesting for an additional 12-month period of all unvested stock options and immediate vesting of all stock awards held by the Named Executives as of December 31, 2011. For more information concerning option and restricted common stock awards held by our Named Executives, see the section of this proxy statement entitled "Executive Compensation" Outstanding Equity Awards at 2011Year End."

(7)

Represents immediate vesting of all unvested stock options and other stock awards held by the Named Executives as of December 31, 2011. For more information concerning option and restricted common stock awards held by our Named Executives, see the section of this proxy statement entitled "Executive Compensation Outstanding Equity Awards at 2011Year End."

#### **Compensation of Directors**

Non-employee director compensation is set by our board of directors at the recommendation of the compensation committee. Our current compensation for non-employee directors consists of:

Grant of Stock Options Upon Appointment. Each newly elected non-employee director automatically receives an option to purchase up to 30,000 shares of our common stock upon appointment to the board of directors. These options vest quarterly over the three years following the grant date, subject to such director's continued service on the board of directors.

Grant of Additional Stock Options. Non-employee directors who served on our board of directors during the prior calendar year and who continue to serve on the board of directors are granted an option to purchase up to 17,750 shares of our common stock the day following the date of the annual meeting of stockholders. These options vest quarterly over the year following the grant date, subject to the non-employee director's continued service on the board of directors. Currently, each such non-employee director stock option will terminate on the earlier of ten years from the date of grant or two years after the recipient ceases to serve as a director.

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Payment of Retainer Fee; Reimbursement of Travel and Other Expenses. In addition to an option grant, each non-employee director receives an annual retainer for his or her service on our board of directors as well as additional fees for committee service as follows:

Position		Fees afte Annual N	
Annual Retainer		\$	40,000
Non-Employee Chairman of the Board		\$	30,000
Audit Committee Chairperson		\$	20,000
Audit Committee Members (other than the Chairperson)		\$	10,000
Compensation Committee Chairperson		\$	15,000
Compensation Committee Members		\$	7,500
Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee Chairperson		\$	12,000
Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee Members		\$	6,000
Science Committee Chairperson		\$	10,000
Science Committee Members		\$	7,500
Science Committee, Chairperson and Members	\$ 3,000 for each all-dattended (up to a maxi per year) which is in a standard quarterly med Science Committee	imum of S ddition to	\$15,000 the

All retainer amounts are paid quarterly. Non-employee directors also received reimbursement for reasonable travel and other expenses in connection with attending meetings of our board of directors.

The following table sets forth the fees earned by each of our non-employee directors for his or her service on the board of directors, the aggregate grant date fair value of option awards granted to our non-employee directors for the year ended December 31, 2011:

#### 2011 DIRECTOR COMPENSATION

Name	 Fees Earned or Paid in Cash(1)		<b>Option Awards</b> (2)(3)(4)(5)		Total
John K. Clarke	\$ 58,368	\$	184,778	\$	243,146
Bruce L. Downey	\$ 51,528	\$	184,778	\$	236,306
Marsha H. Fanucci	\$ 59,287	\$	184,778	\$	244,065
Peter Barton Hutt	\$ 48,618	\$	184,778	\$	233,396
Thomas P. Koestler	\$ 46,157	\$	275,739	\$	321,896
Bennett M. Shapiro	\$ 53,449	\$	184,778	\$	238,227
Elizabeth Stoner	\$ 49,124	\$	184,778	\$	233,902
James R. Sulat	\$ 80,836	\$	184,778	\$	265,614

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  The fees earned by the non-employee directors in 2011 consist of the following: (i) an annual retainer; (ii) a fee to the non-employee chairman of the board; and (iii) an annual fee for chairing and being a member of each of the audit, compensation, nominating and corporate governance and science committees.
- Valuation based on the aggregate grant date fair value of stock and option awards computed in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 718, Stock Compensation (excluding the effect of estimated forfeitures). These amounts do not correspond to the actual value that will be realized by the director upon vesting or exercise of such award. The assumptions used by us with respect to the valuation of stock and option awards are set forth in Note 11 to our financial statements contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for year ended December 31, 2011 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 28, 2012.
- The following table sets forth the option awards granted to our non-employee directors during the year ended December 31, 2011 and the aggregate grant date fair value of those option awards:

Name	Grant Date	Number of Shares Subject to Options	_	rant Date air Value
John K. Clarke	6/14/2011	17,750	\$	184,778
Bruce L. Downey	6/14/2011	17,750	\$	184,778
Marsha H. Fanucci	6/14/2011	17,750	\$	184,778
Peter Barton Hutt	6/14/2011	17,750	\$	184,778
Thomas P. Koestler	3/8/2011	30,000	\$	275,739
Bennett M. Shapiro	6/14/2011	17,750	\$	184,778
Elizabeth Stoner	6/14/2011	17,750	\$	184,778
James R. Sulat	6/14/2011	17,750	\$	184,778

(4)

On June 14, 2011, the day following our 2011 annual meeting of stockholders, we granted each of our non-employee directors (with the exception of Dr. Koestler, who joined the board of directors in January 2011) serving at that time an option to purchase 17,750 shares of our common stock, each with an exercise price equal to the closing price of our common stock on the NASDAQ Global Market on the day prior to the date of grant, which was \$18.19 per share. All such options shall become exercisable in four equal quarterly installments commencing the date of grant, provided that the optionee then remains a director.

(5)
The following table shows the aggregate number of stock option grants outstanding for each non-employee director as of December 31, 2011 and the number of options awards vested during the year ended December 31, 2011:

Name	Aggregate Number of Shares Subject to Outstanding Stock Options(#)	Number of Shares Vested in 2011	
John K. Clarke	143,750	16,375	
Bruce L. Downey	62,750	26,375	
Marsha H. Fanucci	143,750	16,375	
Peter Barton Hutt	148,750	16,375	
Thomas P. Koestler	30,000	7,500	
Bennett M. Shapiro	134,950	16,375	
Elizabeth Stoner	76,950	16,375	
James R. Sulat	70,750	23,875	

**Compensation Committee Report** 

The compensation committee has reviewed and discussed the Compensation Discussion and Analysis with the Company's management. Based on this review and discussion, the compensation committee recommended to our Board of Directors that the Compensation Discussion and Analysis be included in this proxy statement.

By the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of Momenta Pharmaceuticals, Inc.:

John K. Clarke (Chairperson)
Bruce L. Downey
Thomas P. Koestler
Bennett M. Shapiro

#### **Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation**

The compensation committee currently consists of John K. Clarke, who serves as chairman, Bruce L. Downey, Thomas P. Koestler and Bennett M. Shapiro. During 2011, the compensation committee included Peter Barton Hutt and Elizabeth Stoner.

During 2011, none of our executive officers served as a member of the board of directors or compensation committee, or other committee serving an equivalent function, of any other entity that has one or more of its executive officers serving as a member of our board of directors or compensation committee. None of the members of our compensation committee during 2011 nor any of the current members has ever been an employee of Momenta.

Novartis Pharma AG, which holds more than five percent of our voting securities, has been granted registration rights with respect to shares of our common stock under the terms of an investors' right agreement with us.

# SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS

The following table sets forth information regarding beneficial ownership of our common stock as of April 1, 2012 by:

each person, or group of affiliated persons, known to us to be the beneficial owner of more than 5% of the outstanding shares of our common stock as of such date based on currently available Schedules 13D and 13G filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission;

each of our directors (which includes all nominees);

our Named Executives; and

all of our directors and executive officers as a group.

The number of shares of common stock beneficially owned by each person or entity is determined in accordance with the applicable rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission and includes voting or investment power with respect to shares of our common stock. The information is not necessarily indicative of beneficial ownership for any other purpose. Shares of our common stock issuable under stock options exercisable on or before May 31, 2012 are deemed beneficially owned for computing the percentage ownership of the person holding the options, but are not deemed outstanding for computing the percentage ownership of any other person. Unless otherwise indicated, to our knowledge, all persons named in the table have sole voting and investment power with respect to their shares of common stock, except to the extent authority is shared by spouses under community property laws. Unless otherwise indicated, the address of all directors and executive officers is c/o Momenta Pharmaceuticals, Inc., 675 West Kendall Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02142. The inclusion of any

shares deemed beneficially owned in this table does not constitute an admission of beneficial ownership of those shares.

Name and Address of Beneficial Owner	Total Number of Shares Beneficially Owned	Percentage of Common Stock Beneficially Owned(1)
Holders of more than 5% of our Common Stock	Denominally 5 whou	Denominary 5 ((mod(1)
Novartis AG	4,708,679(2)	9.1%
Lichstrasse 35	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	
CH 4058 Basel, Switzerland		
Scopia Management Inc.	4,618,174(3)	9.0%
152 West 57th Street, 33rd Floor	, , , , , ,	
New York, NY 10019		
BlackRock, Inc.	3,757,437(4)	7.3%
40 East 52 <sup>nd</sup> Street		
New York, NY 10022		
T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc.	3,537,597(5)	6.9%
100 E. Pratt Street		
Baltimore, MD 21202		
Directors (which includes all nominees) and Named Executives		
Craig A. Wheeler	1,194,498(6)	2.3%
John K. Clarke	208,436(7)	*
Bruce L. Downey	55,814(8)	*
Peter Barton Hutt	149,678(9)	*
Thomas P. Koestler	10,000(10)	*
Bennett M. Shapiro	129,513(11)	*
Elizabeth Stoner	80,393(12)	*
Marsha H. Fanucci	139,313(13)	*
James R. Sulat	73,313(14)	*
Richard P. Shea	339,978(15)	*
James M. Roach	279,364(16)	*
Ganesh Venkataraman Kaundinya	563,215(17)	1.1%
Bruce A. Leicher	229,127(18)	*
All Directors and executive officers as a group (14 persons)	3,646,088(19)	6.8%

Less than 1% of our outstanding common stock.

(1) Applicable percentage of ownership for each holder is based on 51,500,109 shares of common stock outstanding on April 1, 2012, plus any common stock equivalents and presently exercisable stock options or warrants held by each such holder, and options or warrants held by each such holder which will become exercisable as of May 31, 2012.

Information is based on a Schedule 13D filed on August 4, 2006 by Novartis AG ("Novartis") and Novartis Pharma AG ("Novartis Pharma"), as amended by Amendment No. 1 to Schedule 13D filed on September 6, 2006 by Novartis and Novartis Pharma. Novartis Pharma is the record holder of 4,708,679 shares of common stock. Novartis Pharma is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Novartis, and, as a result, Novartis is the beneficial owner of the 4,708,679 shares of common stock held of record by Novartis Pharma. Novartis Pharma and Novartis have shared power to vote and shared power to dispose of such shares.

(3) Information is based on a Schedule 13G filed by Scopia Management Inc. on February 10, 2012, and is as of December 31, 2011.

- (4) Information is based on a Schedule 13G/A filed by BlackRock, Inc. on February 20, 2012 and is as of December 30, 2011.
- Information is based on a Schedule 13G filed by T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc. on February 20, 2012, and is as of December 31, 2011. These securities are owned by various individual and institutional investors for which T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc. ("Price Associates") serves as investment advisor with power to direct investments and/or sole power to vote the securities. For purposes of the reporting requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Price Associates is deemed to be a beneficial owner of such securities; however, Price Associates expressly disclaims that it is, in fact, the beneficial owner of such securities. Of the 3,537,597 shares of our common stock deemed beneficially owned, T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc. reports sole voting power as to 864,701 shares and sole dispositive power as to 3,537,597 shares.
- (6)
  Consists of 564,374 shares of common stock, of which 320,002 shares remain subject to a repurchase right by us pursuant to restricted stock agreements between us and Mr. Wheeler, and 630,124 shares of common stock underlying options exercisable on or before May 31, 2012.
- (7)
  Consists of 69,123 shares of common stock owned directly by Mr. Clarke and 139,313 shares of common stock underlying options held by Mr. Clarke exercisable on or before May 31, 2012.
- (8) Consists entirely of shares of common stock underlying options exercisable on or before May 31, 2012.
- (9) Consists of 5,365 shares of common stock owned directly by Mr. Hutt and 144,313 shares of common stock underlying options held by Mr. Hutt exercisable on or before May 31, 2012.
- (10) Consists entirely of shares of common stock underlying options exercisable on or before May 31, 2012.
- (11)

  Consists of 7,000 shares of common stock owned directly by Dr. Shapiro and 122,513 shares of common stock underlying options held by Dr. Shapiro exercisable on or before May 31, 2012.
- (12)
  Consists of 7,880 shares of common stock owned directly by Dr. Stoner and 72,513 shares of common stock underlying options held by Dr. Stoner exercisable on or before May 31, 2012.
- (13) Consists entirely of shares of common stock underlying options exercisable on or before May 31, 2012.
- (14)

  Consists of 10,000 shares of common stock owned directly by Mr. Sulat and 63,313 shares of common stock underlying options held by Mr. Sulat exercisable on or before May 31, 2012.
- Consists of 95,885 shares of common stock, of which 65,844 shares remain subject to a repurchase right by us pursuant to restricted stock agreements between us and Mr. Shea, and 244,093 shares of common stock underlying options exercisable on or before May 31, 2012.
- (16)

  Consists of 79,192 shares of common stock, of which 69,554 shares remain subject to a repurchase right by us pursuant to a restricted stock agreement between us and Dr. Roach, and 200,172 shares of common stock underlying options exercisable on or before May 31, 2012.
- (17)

  Consists of 411,105 shares of common stock, of which 70,605 shares remain subject to a repurchase right by us pursuant to a restricted stock agreement between us and Dr. Kaundinya, and 152,110 shares of common stock underlying options exercisable on or before May 31, 2012.

(18)

Consists of 102,098 shares of common stock, of which 74,494 shares remain subject to a repurchase right by us pursuant to a restricted stock agreement between us and Mr. Leicher, and 127,029 shares of common stock underlying options exercisable on or before May 31, 2012.

(19)

Consists of an aggregate of 1,464,186 shares of common stock, of which 671,342 shares remain subject to a repurchase right by us pursuant to restricted stock agreements, and 2,189,902 shares of common stock underlying options exercisable on or before May 31, 2012.

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#### **Equity Compensation Plan Information**

The following table provides information about the securities authorized for issuance under our equity compensation plans as of December 31, 2011:

Plan Category	Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options (a)	Weighted-average exercise price of outstanding options (b)	Number of securities remaining available future issuance under equity compensation plans (excluding securities reflected in column (a))
Equity compensation plans approved by security			
holders(1)(2)	4,540,267	\$ 12.88	5,712,135
Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders			
Total	4,540,267	\$ 12.88	5,712,135

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes information regarding the following stockholder-approved equity compensation plans: 2004 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended, 2004 Employee Stock Purchase Plan and Amended and Restated 2002 Stock Incentive Plan.

(2)
Upon the approval of our amended 2004 Stock Incentive Plan, we have not granted further stock options under the Amended and Restated 2002 Stock Incentive Plan.

#### CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS

#### **Compensation Paid to Directors and Executive Officers**

Please see discussion under the heading "Executive Compensation."

### **Registration Rights**

For information relating to certain registration rights granted by us to a certain stockholder, please see the discussion under the heading "Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation."

#### POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR RELATED PERSON TRANSACTIONS

Our board of directors has adopted written policies and procedures for the review of any transaction, arrangement or relationship in which we are a participant, the amount involved exceeds \$120,000, and one of our executive officers, directors, director nominees or 5% stockholders (or their immediate family members), each of whom we refer to as a "related person," has a direct or indirect material interest.

If a related person proposes to enter into such a transaction, arrangement or relationship, which we refer to as a "related person transaction," the related person must report the proposed related person transaction to our General Counsel. The policy calls for the proposed related person transaction to be reviewed and, if deemed appropriate, approved by our audit committee. Whenever practicable, the reporting, review and approval will occur prior to entry into the transaction. If advance review and approval is not practicable, the audit committee will review, and, in its discretion, may ratify the related person transaction. The policy also permits the chairman of the audit committee to review and, if deemed appropriate, approve proposed related person transactions that arise between committee meetings, subject to ratification by the audit committee at its next meeting. Any related person transactions that are ongoing in nature will be reviewed annually.

A related person transaction reviewed under the policy will be considered approved or ratified if it is authorized by the audit committee after full disclosure of the related person's interest in the transaction. As appropriate for the circumstances, the audit committee will review and consider:

the related person's interest in the related person transaction;

the approximate dollar value of the amount involved in the related person transaction;

the approximate dollar value of the amount of the related person's interest in the transaction without regard to the amount of any profit or loss;

whether the transaction was undertaken in the ordinary course of our business;

whether the terms of the transaction are no less favorable to us than terms that could have been reached with an unrelated third party;

the purpose of, and the potential benefits to us of, the transaction; and

any other information regarding the related person transaction or the related person in the context of the proposed transaction that would be material to investors in light of the circumstances of the particular transaction.

Our audit committee may approve or ratify the transaction only if the audit committee determines that, under all of the circumstances, the transaction is in our best interests. Our audit committee may impose any conditions on the related person transaction that it deems appropriate.

In addition to the transactions that are excluded by the instructions to the Securities and Exchange Commission's related person transaction disclosure rule, our board of directors has determined that the following transactions do not create a material direct or indirect interest on behalf of related persons and, therefore, are not related person transactions for purposes of this policy:

interests arising solely from the related person's position as an executive officer of another entity (whether or not the person is also a director of such entity), that is a participant in the transaction, where (a) the related person and all other related persons own in the aggregate less than a 10% equity interest in such entity, (b) the related person and his or her immediate family members are not involved in the negotiation of the terms of the transaction and do not receive any special benefits as a result of the transaction, and (c) the amount involved in the transaction equals less than the greater of \$200,000 or 5% of the annual gross revenues of the company receiving payment under the transaction; and

a transaction that is specifically contemplated by provisions of our charter or bylaws.

The policy provides that transactions involving compensation of executive officers shall be reviewed and approved by our compensation committee in the manner specified in its charter.

We will disclose the terms of related person transactions in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission to the extent required. Other than as described below, since January 1, 2011, we have not been a party to, and we have no plans to be a party to, any transaction or series of similar transactions in which the amount involved exceeded or will exceed \$120,000 and in which any executive officer, director, director nominee, holder of more than 5% of our capital stock, or any member of the immediate family of any of the foregoing, had or will have a direct or indirect material interest, other than in connection with the transactions described below.

Ganesh Venkataraman Kaundinya, the Company's Chief Scientific Officer and Senior Vice President, Research, is an inventor on a number of patents invented while Dr. Kaundinya was at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, or MIT, prior to Dr. Kaundinya founding and joining the Company. As an inventor on the patents, Dr. Kaundinya is paid a royalty for any licensing fees or

other income received by MIT for the patents. In November 2002, the Company licensed a number of patents on which Dr. Kaundinya is one of a number of inventors.

Until 2011, Dr. Kaundinya received minimal, immaterial royalties related to the patents from annual license fees paid by the Company to MIT. However, in August 2011, Dr. Kaundinya received a royalty of \$212,573 for MIT's fiscal year 2011 for patents licensed by Momenta and used in connection with our enoxaparin program. In October 2011, our audit committee ratified and approved the license agreement the Company previously entered into with MIT under our policy taking into consideration the effect of the license agreement on the distribution by MIT to inventors of royalties paid under the license agreement.

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#### PROPOSAL TWO

#### RATIFICATION OF SELECTION OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

The audit committee of our board of directors has selected the firm of Ernst & Young LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2012. Although stockholder approval of the selection of Ernst & Young LLP is not required by law, our board of directors believes that it is advisable to give stockholders an opportunity to ratify this selection. If this proposal is not approved at the Annual Meeting, our audit committee directors will reconsider its appointment of Ernst & Young LLP. Representatives of Ernst & Young LLP are expected to be present at the Annual Meeting and will have the opportunity to make a statement, if they desire to do so, and will be available to respond to appropriate questions from our stockholders.

#### **Board Recommendation**

The board of directors recommends a vote FOR the ratification of the selection by the Audit Committee of Ernst & Young LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the year ending December 31, 2012.

#### **Auditors' Fees**

The following table summarizes the fees of Ernst & Young LLP, our independent registered public accounting firm, billed to us for each of the last two fiscal years.

Fee Category	2011	2010
Audit Fees(1)	\$ 398,500	\$ 419,000
Audit-Related Fees(2)		
Tax Fees(3)	72,205	38,455
All Other Fees		
Total Fees	\$ 470,705	\$ 457,455

- (1)
  Audit fees consist of fees for the audit of our financial statements, the audit of our internal control over financial reporting, the review of the interim financial statements included in our quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, and other professional services provided in connection with statutory and regulatory filings or engagements.
- (2)

  Audit-related fees consist of fees for assurance and related services that are reasonably related to the performance of the audit and the review of our financial statements and which are not reported under "Audit Fees."
- Tax fees consist of fees for tax compliance, tax advice and tax planning services. All of the tax fees were pre-approved by the audit committee in accordance with the pre-approval policies and procedures described below. Tax compliance services, which relate to Federal and State tax return assistance accounted for \$25,000 of the total tax fees billed in 2010 and \$27,500 of the total tax fees billed in 2011. Tax advice and tax planning services relate to periodic consultations.

#### **Pre-Approval Policies and Procedures**

Our audit committee has adopted policies and procedures relating to the approval of all audit and non-audit services that are to be performed by our independent registered public accounting firm. This policy generally provides that we will not engage our independent registered public accounting firm to render audit or non-audit services unless the service is specifically approved in advance by our audit

committee or the engagement is entered into pursuant to one of the pre-approval procedures described below.

From time to time, our audit committee may pre-approve specified types of services that are expected to be provided to us by our independent registered public accounting firm during the next 12 months. Any such pre-approval is detailed as to the particular service or type of services to be provided and is also generally subject to a maximum dollar amount.

#### Report of the Audit Committee

The audit committee has reviewed our audited consolidated financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011 and has discussed these consolidated financial statements with our management and our independent registered public accounting firm. Management is responsible for the preparation of our consolidated financial statements and for maintaining an adequate system of disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting for that purpose. Our independent registered public accounting firm is responsible for conducting an independent audit of our annual consolidated financial statements in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and issuing a report on the results of their audit. The audit committee is responsible for providing independent, objective oversight of these processes.

The audit committee has also received from, and discussed with, our independent registered public accounting firm various communications that they are required to provide to the audit committee, including the matters required to be discussed by Statement on Auditing Standards No. 61, as amended (AICPA, *Professional Standards*, Vol. 1, AU section 380), as adopted by the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board in Rule 3200T.

Our independent registered public accounting firm also provided the audit committee with the written disclosures and letter required by applicable requirements of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board regarding the independent accountant's communications with the audit committee concerning independence, and our audit committee has discussed with our independent registered public accounting firm their independence.

Based on the review and discussions referred to above, the audit committee recommended to our board of directors that the audited consolidated financial statements be included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011 for filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

By the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors of Momenta Pharmaceuticals, Inc.:

Marsha H. Fanucci (Chairwoman)
Bruce L. Downey
John K. Clarke
James R. Sulat

#### PROPOSAL THREE

#### ADVISORY VOTE ON EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010, or the Dodd-Frank Act, enables our stockholders to vote to approve, on a non-binding advisory basis, the compensation of our Named Executives as disclosed in this proxy statement in accordance with applicable SEC rules. This vote, commonly known as a "say-on-pay" proposal, provides stockholders with the opportunity to express their views on our named executives' compensation and is required by Section 14A of the Exchange Act. The vote is not intended to address any specific item of our executive compensation, but rather the overall compensation of our Named Executives and the philosophy, policies and practices described in this proxy statement.

As described in the section of this proxy statement entitled "Executive Compensation," including "Compensation Discussion and Analysis" and related compensation tables, our executive compensation program is designed to attract, retain, and motivate talented individuals with the executive experience and leadership skills necessary for us to increase stockholder value. We seek to provide executive compensation that is competitive with companies that are similar to us. We also seek to provide near-term and long-term financial incentives that reward executives when strategic corporate objectives designed to increase long-term stockholder value are achieved. We believe that executive compensation should include base salary, cash incentives and equity awards. We also believe that our executive officers' base salaries should be set at approximately median levels relative to comparable companies, and cash and equity incentives should generally be set at levels that give executives the opportunity to achieve above-average total compensation reflecting above-average company performance. In particular, our executive compensation philosophy is to promote long-term value creation for our stockholders by rewarding improvement in selected financial metrics, and by using equity incentives.

Our board of directors is asking stockholders to vote in favor of the following non-binding resolution:

RESOLVED, that the compensation paid to our Named Executives, as disclosed pursuant to the compensation disclosure rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission, including the compensation discussion and analysis, the compensation tables and any related material disclosed in this proxy statement, is hereby approved.

The say-on-pay vote is advisory, and therefore not binding on us, our board of directors, or the compensation committee of the board of directors. However, our board of directors and compensation committee value the opinions of our stockholders and to the extent there is any significant vote against the Named Executive compensation as disclosed in this proxy statement, we will consider our stockholders' concerns and the compensation committee will evaluate whether any actions are necessary to address those concerns.

#### **Board Recommendation**

The board of directors recommends a vote FOR the approval of the compensation of our named executives as disclosed in this proxy statement.

#### STOCKHOLDER PROPOSALS

In order to be included in proxy material for the 2013 annual meeting of stockholders pursuant to Rule 14a-8 under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, stockholders' proposals must be received by us at our principal executive offices, 675 West Kendall Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02142, no later than January 1, 2013. We suggest that proponents submit their proposals by certified mail, return receipt requested, addressed to our Secretary, Bruce A. Leicher, Esq.

Stockholders who intend to present a proposal at such meeting without inclusion of such proposal in our proxy materials pursuant to Rule 14a-8 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, are required to provide advanced notice of such proposal to us at the aforementioned address not later than March 15, 2013.

In addition, our by-laws require that we be given advance notice of stockholder nominations for election to the board of directors and of other matters which stockholders wish to present for action at an annual meeting of stockholders, other than matters included in our proxy statement. The required notice must be in writing and received by our Secretary at our principal offices not later than 90 days prior to the first anniversary of the preceding year's annual meeting and not before 120 days prior to the first anniversary of the preceding year's annual meeting. However, if the 2013 annual meeting of stockholders is advanced by more than 20 days, or delayed by more than 60 days, from the first anniversary of the Annual Meeting, notice must be received no earlier than the 120th day prior to such annual meeting and not later than the close of business on the later of (1) the 90th day prior to such annual meeting and (2) the 10th day following the date on which notice of the date of such annual meeting was mailed or public disclosure of the date of such annual meeting was made, whichever occurs first. Our by-laws also specify requirements relating to the content of the notice that stockholders must provide, including a stockholder nomination for election to the board of directors, to be properly presented at the 2013 annual meeting of stockholders.

#### HOUSEHOLDING OF ANNUAL MEETING MATERIALS

Some banks, brokers and other nominee record holders may be participating in the practice of "householding" proxy statements and annual reports. This means that only one copy of our proxy statement and annual report to stockholders may have been sent to multiple stockholders in your household. We will promptly deliver a separate copy of either document to you upon written request to Momenta Pharmaceuticals, Inc., 675 West Kendall Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02142, Attention: Richard P. Shea, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, facsimile: (617) 621-0431. If you want to receive separate copies of the proxy statement or annual report to stockholders in the future, or if you are receiving multiple copies and would like to receive only one copy per household, you should contact your bank, broker or other nominee record holder, or you may contact us at the above address and phone number.

#### OTHER MATTERS

Our board of directors is not aware of any matter to be presented for action at the Annual Meeting other than the matters referred to above and does not intend to bring any other matters before the Annual Meeting. However, if other matters should properly come before the Annual Meeting, it is intended that holders of the proxies will vote thereon in their discretion.

#### **GENERAL**

The accompanying proxy is solicited by and on behalf of our board of directors, whose notice of meeting is attached to this proxy statement, and the entire cost of such solicitation will be borne by us.

In addition to the use of the mails, proxies may be solicited by personal interview, telephone and telegram by directors, officers and other employees of Momenta who will not be specially compensated for these services. We will also request that brokers, nominees, custodians and other fiduciaries forward soliciting materials to the beneficial owners of shares held of record by such brokers, nominees, custodians and other fiduciaries. We will reimburse such persons for their reasonable expenses in connection therewith.

Certain information contained in this proxy statement relating to the occupations and security holdings of our directors and officers is based upon information received from the individual directors and officers.

WE WILL FURNISH, WITHOUT CHARGE, A COPY OF OUR REPORT ON FORM 10-K FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011, INCLUDING CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS BUT NOT INCLUDING EXHIBITS, TO EACH OF OUR STOCKHOLDERS OF RECORD ON APRIL 16, 2012, AND TO EACH BENEFICIAL STOCKHOLDER ON THAT DATE UPON WRITTEN REQUEST MADE TO BRUCE A. LEICHER, SECRETARY, MOMENTA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 675 WEST KENDALL STREET, CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02142. A REASONABLE FEE WILL BE CHARGED FOR COPIES OF REQUESTED EXHIBITS.

PLEASE VOTE YOUR SHARES OVER THE INTERNET OR BY TELEPHONE AS PROVIDED IN THE INSTRUCTIONS SET FORTH ON THE ENCLOSED PROXY CARD, OR COMPLETE, DATE, SIGN AND RETURN THE PROXY CARD AT YOUR EARLIEST CONVENIENCE IN THE ENCLOSED RETURN ENVELOPE. A PROMPT RETURN OF YOUR PROXY CARD WILL BE APPRECIATED AS IT WILL SAVE THE EXPENSE OF FURTHER MAILINGS.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

Craig A. Wheeler

President and Chief Executive Officer

Cambridge, Massachusetts May 1, 2012

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