Dalla-Favera Riccardo Form 4 December 30, 2009

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Dalla-Favera Riccardo

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

Symbol CALLISTO PHARMACEUTICALS

INC [CLSP]

(Check all applicable)

12/29/2009

(Middle)

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

X_ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O CALLISTO

(Last)

PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 420 LEXINGTON AVE., SUITE 1609

(Street)

(First)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

NEW YORK, NY 10170

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A)

Reported Transaction(s)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transac Code (Instr. 8	tion of I Sec (A) Dis (D) (Ins	5. Number on Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code '	V (.	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options	\$ 0.2	12/29/2009		A	6,0	000		<u>(1)</u>	12/29/2019	Common Stock	6,000

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Dalla-Favera Riccardo C/O CALLISTO PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 420 LEXINGTON AVE., SUITE 1609 NEW YORK, NY 10170



Signatures

/s/ Riccardo Dalla-Favera 12/30/2009

**Signature of Reporting Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) 2,000 options will vest on each of December 29, 2010, 2011 and 2012, assuming the holder is a director of the Company on such date.

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