# FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Addre		erson*		er Name <b>and</b> Ticker MEL TECHN		mbol S SA [ FLML ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director X 10% Owner  Officer (give title Other (specify					
(Last) ONE EMBARC SUITE 4050	(First)	(Middle) ΓER	3. Date 08/27/	of Earliest Transac 2003	tion (Month/D	ay/Year)		specify				
(Street) SAN FRANCISCO CA 94111				endment, Date of C	Original Filed (	Month/Day/Year)	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)										
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned											
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Tran				2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securities Acquired (A)	or	5. Amount of	6. Owners	hip	7. Nature of	

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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transa Code ( 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(5 4)		
Common Stock	08/27/2003		X		885,762	A	\$6.48	1,351,954	I	See Footnote 1 <sup>(1)</sup>		
Common Stock	08/27/2003		X		33,386	A	\$6.48	50,958	I	See Footnote 2 <sup>(2)</sup>		
Common Stock	08/27/2003		X		505,852	A	\$6.48	772,088	I	See Footnote		

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code ( 8)		Deri Sec Acq or D of (I	umber of vative urities uired (A) isposed o) (Instr. and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock Warrant (Right to Buy)	\$6.48	08/27/2003		X			885,762	04/05/2000	03/01/2005	Common Stock	885,762	\$0.002	0	I	See Footnote 1
Common Stock Warrant (Right to Buy)	\$6.48	08/27/2003		Х			33,386	04/05/2000	03/01/2005	Common Stock	33,386	\$0.002	0	I	See Footnote 2
Common Stock Warrant (Right to Buy)	\$6.48	08/27/2003		х			505,852	04/05/2000	03/01/2005	Common Stock	505,852	\$0.002	0	I	See Footnote 3

### **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Alta BioPharma Partners L.P. ("Alta BioP") exercised its Common Stock Warrants. Alta Partners directly or indirectly provides investment advisory services to various venture capital funds, including Alta BioP. The GP of Alta BioP exercises sole voting and investment power with respect to the shares held by the fund. The principals of Alta Partners are Jean Deleage, Guy Nohra, Garrett Gruener, Daniel Janney and Alix Marduel (collectively known as the "principals"). Certain principals of Alta Partners are managing directors of Alta BioPharm Management Partners, LLC and Alta/Chase Management Partners, LLC (the GP of Alta BioP and the Managing Member of Flamel Chase Partners (Alta Bio), LLC), as managing directors they may be deemed to share voting and investment powers of the shares held by the funds. These principals disclaim beneficial ownership, except to the extent of their proportionate interests therein.
- 2. Alta Embarcadero BioPharma Partners, LLC ("Alta Embarcadero") exercised its Common Stock Warrants. Alta Partners directly or indirectly provides investment advisory services to various venture capital funds, including Alta Embarcadero. The members of Alta Embarcadero exercise sole voting and investment power with respect to the shares held by the fund. The principals of Alta Partners are Jean Deleage, Guy Nohra, Garrett Gruener, Daniel Janney and Alix Marduel (collectively known as the "principals"). Certain principals of Alta Partners are members of Alta Embarcadero, as members they may be deemed to share voting and investment powers of the shares held by the funds. These principals disclaim beneficial ownership of all such shares held by the aforementioned funds, except to the extent of their proportionate interests
- 3. Flamel Chase Partners (Alta Bio), LLC ("Flamel Chase") exercised its Common Stock Warrants. Alta Partners directly or indirectly provides investment advisory services to various venture capital funds, including Flamel Chase. The member of Flamel Chase exercises sole voting and investment power with respect to the shares held by the fund. The principals of Alta Partners are Jean Deleage, Guy Nohra, Garrett Gruener, Daniel Janney and Alix Marduel (collectively known as the "principals"). Certain principals of Alta Partners are members of Flamel Chase, as members they may be deemed to share voting and investment powers of the shares held by the funds. These principals disclaim beneficial ownership of all such shares held by the aforementioned funds, except to the extent of their proportionate interests therein.

09/16/2003

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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