

RIGEL PHARMACEUTICALS INC  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Flynn James E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 RIGEL PHARMACEUTICALS INC  
 [RIGL]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 780 THIRD AVENUE, 37TH FLOOR  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 05/26/2011

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 \_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below)  
 \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Possible Member of 10% Group

NEW YORK, NY 10017

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 \_\_\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
X 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. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	05/26/2011		P		46,524	A	\$ 8	470,425	I	Through Deerfield Special Situations Fund, L.P. <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	05/26/2011		P		72,800	A	\$ 8	762,700	I	Through Deerfield Special Situations Fund International

Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	05/26/2011	P	229,252	A	\$ 8	2,279,997	I	Limited <sup>(3)</sup> Through Deerfield Partners, L.P. <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	05/26/2011	P	301,424	A	\$ 8	3,204,167	I	Through Deerfield International Limited <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>						25,000	D	

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

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6)
				Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares		

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Flynn James E 780 THIRD AVENUE 37TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017		X		Possible Member of 10% Group
DEERFIELD CAPITAL LP 780 THIRD AVENUE 37TH FLOOR		X		Possible Member of 10% Group

NEW YORK, NY 10017

Deerfield Special Situations Fund, L.P.  
780 3RD AVENUE  
37TH FLOOR  
NEW YORK, NY 10017

X Possible Member of 10% Group

DEERFIELD PARTNERS, LP  
780 THIRD AVENUE  
37TH FLOOR  
NEW YORK, NY 10017

X Possible Member of 10% Group

DEERFIELD MANAGEMENT CO /NY  
780 THIRD AVENUE, 37TH FLOOR  
NEW YORK, NY 10017

X Possible Member of 10% Group

Deerfield Special Situations Fund International LTD  
C/O CITI HEDGE FUND SERVICES (BVI) LTD  
BISON COURT, P.O. BOX 3460  
ROAD TOWN, TORTOLA, D8 -

X Possible Member of 10% Group

DEERFIELD INTERNATIONAL LTD  
C/O CITI FUND SERVICES (BVI) LTD  
BISON COURT, PO BOX 3460, ROAD TOWN  
TORTOLA, D8 --

X Possible Member of 10% Group

## Signatures

/s/ Darren  
Levine

06/07/2011

\*\*Signature of  
Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) This Form 4 is being filed by the undersigned as well as the entities listed on the Joint Filer Information Statement attached as an exhibit hereto (the "Reporting Persons").

(2) Deerfield Capital, L.P. is the general partner of Deerfield Special Situations Fund, L.P. and Deerfield Partners, L.P. (the "Onshore Funds"). James E. Flynn is the managing member of the general partner of Deerfield Capital, L.P. In accordance with Instruction 4(b)(iv) to Form 4, the entire amount of the Issuer's securities held by the Onshore Funds is reported herein. For purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, each Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of any such securities, except to the extent of his/its indirect pecuniary interest therein, if any, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that such Reporting Person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or otherwise.

(3) Deerfield Management Company, L.P. is the investment manager of Deerfield Special Situations Fund International Limited and Deerfield International Limited (the "Offshore Funds"). James E. Flynn is the managing member of the general partner of Deerfield Management Company, L.P. In accordance with Instruction 4(b)(iv) to Form 4, the entire amount of the Issuer's securities held by the Offshore Funds is reported herein. For purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, each Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of any such securities, except to the extent of his/its indirect pecuniary interest therein, if any, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that such Reporting Person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or otherwise.

### Remarks:

Darren Levine, Attorney-In-Fact which is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 24 of the Form 3 filed by the Reporting Person

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