## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington,	D.C.	20549

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  RICE A. FRANKLIN						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VistaGen Therapeutics, Inc. [ VSTA ]										tionship of Reportin all applicable) Director Officer (give title		10% Ow Other (s		wner
(Last) (First) (Middle) CO/VISTAGEN THERAPEUTICS, INC. 384 OYSTER POINT BLVD, NO. 8						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/16/2011										below) below)  CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER				
(Street) SOUTH FRANCI (City)	SCO CA		94080 Zip)		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							Indivine)	Forn Forn	or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable rm filed by One Reporting Person rm filed by More than One Reporting rson					
(Oity)				n-Deriv	ative	Se	curiti	es Ac	quire	d, Dis	sposed c	of, o	r Ben	eficia	ally (	Owne	ed			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/Date)			ction	ction 2A. De Execut ay/Year) if any		A. Deemed Execution Date,		3. 4. Se		Securities Acquired (A) posed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			or 5 4 and 5) S		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following		nership : Direct · Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
								Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price		Transa	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)	
Common	ommon Stock 08/16/				/2011	2011		G	V	219,00	219,000 D		\$0.0	00(1) 24		240,046(2)		D		
Common	Stock			12/22	/2011				G	V	16,000	0	D	\$0.0	0.00 <sup>(1)</sup> 224,046 D					
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any (Month/Day/Year) if any (Month/Day/Year)		n Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		n of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Expira (Month	tion Day/Y		r) Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		nstr. 3 nount mber	nt er		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ov Fo Di or (I)	). wnership orm: irect (D) i Indirect (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Bona fide gift.
- 2. The shares beneficially owned following transaction have been adjusted to reflect the 1-for-2 forward split effected May 24, 2011.

/s/ A. Franklin Rice

12/23/2011 \*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- \* 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).

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