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FORM N-PX

ANNUAL REPORT OF PROXY VOTING RECORD OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY

Investment Company Act file number 811-06565

H&Q Life Sciences Investors

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

2 Liberty Square, 9th Floor, Boston, MA (Address of principal executive offices)

02109 (Zip code)

Laura Woodward

H&Q Life Sciences Investors

2 Liberty Square, 9th Floor, Boston MA 02109 (Name and address of agent for service)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: 617-772-8500

Date of fiscal year end: September 30

Date of reporting period: 7/1/12-6/30/13

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registrant s proxy voting record for the most recent twelve-month period ended June 30, pursuant to section 30 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 and rule 30b1-4 thereunder (17 CFR 270.30b1-4). The Commission may use the information provided on Form N-PX in its regulatory, disclosure review, inspection, and policymaking roles.

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Item 1. Proxy Voting Record.

Vote Summary

A.P. PHARMA, INC.

Security00202J203Meeting TypeAnnualTicker SymbolAPPAMeeting Date12-Jun-2013Record Date03-May-2013

Item	Proposal	Туре	Vote	For/Against Management
1.	DIRECTOR	Management		
	1 KEVIN TANG		For	For
	2 STEPHEN R. DAVIS		For	For
	B.D. QUART, PHARM. D.		For	For
	4 ROBERT ROSEN		For	For
2.	TO RATIFY THE APPOINTMENT OF OUM & CO. LLP AS THE COMPANY S INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2013.	Management	For	For
3.	TO APPROVE THE COMPENSATION PAID TO THE COMPANY S NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICERS, AS DISCLOSED PURSUANT TO ITEM 402 OF REGULATION S-K, INCLUDING THE COMPENSATION TABLES AND NARRATIVE DISCUSSION.	Management	For	For
4.	TO RECOMMEND, IN A NON-BINDING VOTE, THE FREQUENCY OF ADVISORY VOTES TO APPROVE THE COMPENSATION OF THE COMPANY S NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICERS.	Management	1 Year	For

ACCURAY INCORPORATED

Security004397105Meeting TypeAnnualTicker SymbolARAYMeeting Date30-Nov-2012Record Date05-Oct-2012

Item	Proposal	Type	Vote	For/Against Management
1.1	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: ELIZABETH DAVILA	Management	For	For
1.2	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: JOSHUA H. LEVINE	Management	For	For
2	ADVISORY VOTE ON THE COMPENSATION OF OUR NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICERS (SAY-ON-PAY VOTE).	Management	For	For
3	TO APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO THE COMPANY S CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF TOTAL AUTHORIZED SHARES FROM 105,000,000 TO 205,000,000 AND THE NUMBER OF AUTHORIZED SHARES OF COMMON STOCK FROM 100,000,000 TO 200,000,000.	Management	For	For
4	TO RATIFY THE APPOINTMENT OF GRANT THORNTON LLP AS OUR INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2013.	Management	For	For

ACORDA THERAPEUTICS, INC.

Security00484M106Meeting TypeAnnualTicker SymbolACORMeeting Date30-May-2013Record Date02-Apr-2013

Item		Proposal	Туре	Vote	For/Against Management
1.	DIRECTOR		Management		
	1	PEDER K. JENSEN, M.D.		For	For
	2	JOHN P. KELLEY		For	For
	3	SANDRA PANEM, PH.D.		For	For
2.	AS THE COM	THE APPOINTMENT OF ERNST & YOUNG LLP PANY S INDEPENDENT AUDITORS FOR THE R ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2013.	Management	For	For
3.		RY VOTE TO APPROVE NAMED EXECUTIVE MPENSATION.	Management	For	For

ACTAVIS, INC.

Security00507K103Meeting TypeAnnualTicker SymbolACTMeeting Date10-May-2013

Record Date 15-Mar-2013

				For/Against
Item	Proposal	Type	Vote	Management
1A.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: JACK MICHELSON	Management	For	For
1B.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: RONALD R. TAYLOR	Management	For	For
1C.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: ANDREW L. TURNER	Management	For	For
1D.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: PAUL M. BISARO	Management	For	For
1E.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: CHRISTOPHER W. BODINE	Management	For	For
1F.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: MICHEL J. FELDMAN	Management	For	For
1G.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: FRED G. WEISS	Management	For	For
2.	TO APPROVE, ON AN ADVISORY BASIS, NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICER COMPENSATION.	Management	For	For
3.	TO RATIFY THE APPOINTMENT OF PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS LLP AS THE COMPANY S INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM.	Management	For	For
4.	TO VOTE ON A PROPOSAL SUBMITTED BY A STOCKHOLDER TO REQUEST THAT THE COMPANY ADOPT A POLICY REQUIRING ITS SENIOR EXECUTIVES TO RETAIN A SIGNIFICANT PERCENTAGE OF THE COMPANY SHARES THEY ACQUIRE THROUGH THE COMPANY S EQUITY COMPENSATION PROGRAMS UNTIL REACHING RETIREMENT AGE.	Shareholder	Against	For

AKORN, INC.

Security	009728106	Meeting Type	Annual	
Ticker Symbol	AKRX	Meeting Date	03-May-2013	
Record Date	08-Mar-2013	Wiceling Date	05 May 2015	

Item		Proposal	Туре	Vote	For/Against Management
1.	DIRECTOR		Management		
	1	JOHN N. KAPOOR, PHD		For	For
	2	RONALD M. JOHNSON		For	For
	3	BRIAN TAMBI		For	For
	4	STEVEN J. MEYER		For	For
	5	ALAN WEINSTEIN		For	For
	6	KENNETH S. ABRAMOWITZ		For	For
	7	ADRIENNE L. GRAVES, PHD		For	For
2.	SERVE AS AKORN	TIFY THE SELECTION OF KPMG LLP TO N S INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC RM FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING 113.	Management	For	For
3.		ADVISORY VOTE ON APPROVAL OF S EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION	Management	For	For

ALERE INC.

Security01449J105Meeting TypeAnnualTicker SymbolALRMeeting Date11-Jul-2012Record Date17-May-2012

Item	Proposal	Туре	Vote	For/Against Management
1	DIRECTOR	Management		
	1 CAROL R. GOLDBERG		For	For
	2 JAMES ROOSEVELT, JR.		For	For
	3 RON ZWANZIGER		For	For
2	APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO ALERE INC.`S AMENDED AND RESTATED CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION, AS AMENDED, TO DECLASSIFY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.	Management	For	For
3	APPROVAL OF AN INCREASE TO THE NUMBER OF SHARES OF COMMON STOCK AVAILABLE FOR ISSUANCE UNDER THE ALERE INC. 2010 STOCK OPTION AND INCENTIVE PLAN BY 2,000,000, FROM 3,153,663 TO 5,153,663.	Management	For	For

4	APPROVAL OF THE GRANTING OF OPTIONS UNDER OUR 2010 STOCK OPTION AND INCENTIVE PLAN TO CERTAIN EXECUTIVE OFFICERS; PROVIDED THAT, EVEN IF THIS PROPOSAL IS APPROVED BY OUR STOCKHOLDERS, WE DO NOT INTEND TO IMPLEMENT THIS PROPOSAL UNLESS PROPOSAL 3 IS ALSO APPROVED.	Management	For	For
5	RATIFICATION OF THE APPOINTMENT OF PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS LLP AS OUR INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM FOR OUR FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2012.	Management	For	For
6	APPROVAL, BY NON-BINDING VOTE, OF EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION.	Management	For	For

ALEXION PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

Security015351109Meeting TypeAnnualTicker SymbolALXNMeeting Date06-May-2013Record Date11-Mar-2013

Item		Proposal	Туре	Vote	For/Against Management
1.	DIRECTOR		Management		
	1	LEONARD BELL		For	For
	2	MAX LINK		For	For
	3	WILLIAM R. KELLER		For	For
	4	JOSEPH A. MADRI		For	For
	5	LARRY L. MATHIS		For	For
	6	R. DOUGLAS NORBY		For	For
	7	ALVIN S. PARVEN		For	For
	8	ANDREAS RUMMELT		For	For
	9	ANN M. VENEMAN		For	For
2.		F A NON-BINDING ADVISORY VOTE OF THE SATION PAID TO ALEXION S NAMED OFFICERS.	Management	For	For

3.	APPROVAL OF THE AMENDED AND RESTATED 2004 INCENTIVE PLAN, AS DESCRIBED IN THE ACCOMPANYING PROXY STATEMENT, INCLUDING TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF SHARES OF COMMON STOCK AVAILABLE FOR ISSUANCE BY 12 MILLION SHARES (SUBJECT TO	Management	For	For
	ADJUSTMENT IN THE EVENT OF STOCK SPLITS AND OTHER SIMILAR EVENTS).			
4.	RATIFICATION OF APPOINTMENT BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS LLP AS ALEXION S INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM.	Management	For	For

ALKERMES PLC

SecurityG01767105Meeting TypeAnnualTicker SymbolALKSMeeting Date01-Aug-2012Record Date15-Jun-2012

Item	Proposal	Туре	Vote	For/Against Management
1.	DIRECTOR	Management		
	1 FLOYD E. BLOOM		For	For
	2 GERALDINE A. HENWOOD		For	For
2.	TO APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO THE ALKERMES PLC 2011 STOCK OPTION AND INCENTIVE PLAN TO INCREASE THE SHARES AVAILABLE FOR ISSUANCE FROM 8,350,000 TO 12,550,000.	Management	For	For
3.	TO HOLD A NON-BINDING ADVISORY VOTE TO APPROVE THE COMPENSATION OF OUR NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICERS.	Management	For	For
4.	TO HOLD A NON-BINDING ADVISORY VOTE ON THE FREQUENCY OF FUTURE ADVISORY VOTES ON EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION.	Management	1 Year	For
5.	TO AUTHORIZE HOLDING THE 2013 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS OF THE COMPANY AT A LOCATION OUTSIDE OF IRELAND.	Management	For	For

6.	TO APPOINT PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS AS	Management	For	For
	THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS OF THE COMPANY			
	AND TO AUTHORIZE THE AUDIT AND RISK			
	COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO			
	SET THE AUDITOR S REMUNERATION.			

AMARIN CORPORATION PLC

Security 023111206 **Meeting Type** Annual Ticker Symbol Record Date **Meeting Date** 09-Jul-2013 AMRN

22-Apr-2013

Item	Proposal	Type	Vote	For/Against Management
01	TO RE-ELECT MR. JOSEPH S. ZAKRZEWSKI AS A DIRECTOR	Management	For	For
O2	TO RE-ELECT MS. KRISTINE PETERSON AS A DIRECTOR	Management	For	For
O3	TO ELECT MR. DAVID STACK AS A DIRECTOR	Management	For	For
O4	TO HOLD AN ADVISORY (NON-BINDING) VOTE TO APPROVE THE COMPENSATION OF THE COMPANY S NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AS DESCRIBED IN THE COMPENSATION DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS SECTION, THE TABULAR DISCLOSURE REGARDING SUCH COMPENSATION, AND THE ACCOMPANYING NARRATIVE DISCLOSURE SET FORTH IN THE ENCLOSED PROXY STATEMENT	Management	For	For
O5	TO HOLD AN ADVISORY (NON-BINDING) VOTE TO APPROVE THE DIRECTORS REMUNERATION REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012	Management	For	For
O6	TO APPOINT DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP AS AUDITORS TO HOLD OFFICE UNTIL THE CONCLUSION OF THE NEXT GENERAL MEETING AT WHICH ACCOUNTS ARE LAID BEFORE THE COMPANY AND TO AUTHORIZE THE AUDIT COMMITTEE OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO FIX AUDITORS REMUNERATION	Management	For	For

S7	TO AMEND THE COMPANY S ARTICLES OF	Management	For	For
	ASSOCIATION TO REMOVE A BORROWING			
	LIMITATION ON THE COMPANY BY DELETING			
	ARTICLES 143(B) TO (E) (INCLUSIVE)			

AMGEN INC.

Security031162100Meeting TypeAnnualTicker SymbolAMGNMeeting Date22-May-2013

Record Date 25-Mar-2013

Item	Proposal	Туре	Vote	For/Against Management
1A.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: DR. DAVID BALTIMORE	Management	For	For
1B.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: MR. FRANK J. BIONDI, JR.	Management	For	For
1C.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: MR. ROBERT A. BRADWAY	Management	For	For
1D.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: MR. FRANCOIS DE CARBONNEL	Management	For	For
1E.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: DR. VANCE D. COFFMAN	Management	For	For
1F.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: MR. ROBERT A. ECKERT	Management	For	For
1G.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: DR. REBECCA M. HENDERSON	Management	For	For
1H.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: MR. FRANK C. HERRINGER	Management	For	For
1I.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: DR. TYLER JACKS	Management	For	For
1J.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: DR. GILBERT S. OMENN	Management	For	For
1K.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: MS. JUDITH C. PELHAM	Management	For	For
1L.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: MR. LEONARD D. SCHAEFFER	Management	For	For
1M.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: DR. RONALD D. SUGAR	Management	For	For

2.	TO RATIFY THE SELECTION OF ERNST & YOUNG LLP AS OUR INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2013.	Management	For	For
3.	ADVISORY VOTE TO APPROVE OUR EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION.	Management	For	For
4.	APPROVAL OF OUR PROPOSED AMENDED AND RESTATED 2009 EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN.	Management	For	For

ANTISOMA PLC

Security03248123Meeting TypeAnnualTicker SymbolASM.LMeeting Date25-Oct-2012Record DateN/A

Item	Proposal	Туре	Vote	For/Against Management
1.	TO RECEIVE AND ADOPT THE DIRECTORS	Management	For	For
	REPORT.			
2.	RE-ELECT MICHAEL BRETHERTON.	Management	For	For
3.	RE-ELECT JONATHAN MORLEY-KIRK.	Management	For	For
4.	TO RE-APPOINT PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS	Management	For	For
	LLP AS AUDITORS OF THE COMPANY AND TO			
	AUTHORISE THE DIRECTORS TO DETERMINE			
	THEIR RENUMERATION YOUNG LLP AS THE			
	COMPANY S INDEPENDENT AUDITORS FOR THE			
	FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2012.			
5.	TO AUTHORISE THE DIRECTORS TO DETERMINE	Management	For	For
	THE AUDITOR S FEES.			
6.	TO AUTHORISE THE DIRECTORS TO ALLOT	Management	For	For
	SHARES.			
7.	TO AUTHORISE THE DISAPPLICATION OF	Management	For	For
	STATUTORY PRE-EMPTION RIGHTS.			

ARIAD PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

Security04033A100Meeting TypeAnnualTicker SymbolARIAMeeting Date20-Jun-2013

Record Date 25-Apr-2013

Item	Proposal	Type	Vote	For/Against Management
1.	DIRECTOR	Management		
	1 ATHANASE LAVIDAS, PH.D		For	For
	2 MASSIMO RADAELLI, PH.D.		For	For
2.	TO APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO OUR CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF AUTHORIZED SHARES OF COMMON STOCK FROM 240 MILLION TO 450 MILLION SHARES.	Management	For	For
3.	TO RATIFY THE SELECTION OF DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP AS OUR INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM FOR 2013.	Management	For	For
4.	TO APPROVE, ON AN ADVISORY BASIS, THE COMPENSATION OF OUR NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICERS, AS DISCLOSED IN THE PROXY STATEMENT.	Management	For	For

BIOGEN IDEC INC.

Security09062X103Meeting TypeAnnualTicker SymbolBIIBMeeting Date12-Jun-2013

Record Date 15-Apr-2013

				For/Against
Item	Proposal	Type	Vote	Management
1A.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: CAROLINE D. DORSA	Management	For	For
1B.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: STELIOS	Management	For	For
	PAPADOPOULOS			
1C.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: GEORGE A. SCANGOS	Management	For	For
1D.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: LYNN SCHENK	Management	For	For
1E.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: ALEXANDER J. DENNER	Management	For	For
1F.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: NANCY L. LEAMING	Management	For	For
1G.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: RICHARD C. MULLIGAN	Management	For	For
1H.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: ROBERT W. PANGIA	Management	For	For

1I.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: BRIAN S. POSNER	Management	For	For
1J.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: ERIC K. ROWINSKY	Management	For	For
1K.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: STEPHEN A. SHERWIN	Management	For	For
1L.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: WILLIAM D. YOUNG	Management	For	For
2.	TO RATIFY THE SELECTION OF PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS LLP AS BIOGEN	Management	For	For
	IDEC INC. S INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC			
	ACCOUNTING FIRM FOR THE FISCAL YEAR			
	ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2013.			
3.	SAY ON PAY - AN ADVISORY VOTE ON	Management	For	For
	EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION.			
4.	TO REAPPROVE THE MATERIAL TERMS OF THE	Management	For	For
	PERFORMANCE GOALS UNDER THE BIOGEN IDEC			
	INC. 2008 PERFORMANCE- BASED MANAGEMENT			
	INCENTIVE PLAN FOR PURPOSES OF			
	SECTION 162(M) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE			
	CODE.			
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