)	Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See
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Form 3 Holdings Reported.

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Form 4	4 Transactions	Reported.	Fi	led pursuant f or Sectio					rities Exch Company A			34										
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>TAM PETER Y</u>					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>VIVUS INC</u> [VVUS]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner									
(Last) (First) (Middle)					3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2003								X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) VP, Business Planning									
(Street)				4. If Ame	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							Lin	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person									
(City) (State) (Zip)					Form filed by More than One Reporting Person																	
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																						
Date (Month/Day/Year)			2A. Deemed Execution D if any (Month/Day/	ate,	Code (Instr.						posed O	f 5. Amoun Securities Beneficial Owned at	Iy	Owners Form: I		Indire Bene	lature of irect neficial nership					
							Amount (A (D		(A) or (D)	Price		Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 an 4)		Indirec (Instr. 4			. 4)					
Common	Stock		10/31/2003		J		2,	706	706 A \$3		3.1705	41,3	42	Ι	2							
		7	Fable II - Deriv (e.g.,	ative Secu puts, calls									/ Owned									
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. Nun of Deriva Securi Acqui (A) or Dispos of (D) 3, 4 ar	ative ities red sed (Instr.	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		te Amount of		Security	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numb derivati Securiti Benefic Owned Followin Reporte Transac (Instr. 4)	ive C ies F cially C ng (ed ction(s)	10. Owners Form: Direct (or Indir (I) (Inst	ship D) ect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)					
					(A)	(D)	Date Exerc	cisable	Expiratio Date	n Title		Amount or Number of Shares										
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$4	01/20/2003		A	17,467	,	((2)	01/20/201		nmon ock	17,467	(1) 17,4		(1) 17,		467 D		17,467			
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$3.49						((2)	10/25/201		nmon .ock	21,250	21,		21,		250 D		21,250			
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$3.49						((2)	10/25/201		nmon ock	8,750		8,7	50 D							
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$4						((2)	01/20/201		nmon ock	8,783		8,7	83	D						

Explanation of Responses:

1. There is no purchase price necessary. This is an option grant.

2. There is no exercisable date. This is an option grant.

<u>By: /s/ Linda Derboghosian</u> For: Peter <u>Tam</u>

02/13/2004

** 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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