

KIRSKE DAVID
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
KIRSKE DAVID

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O CTI BIOPHARMA
CORP., 3101 WESTERN AVE.,
SUITE 600

(Street)

SEATTLE, WA 98121

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

CTI BIOPHARMA CORP [CTIC]

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

08/01/2017

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)

See Remarks

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8.
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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 3.43	08/01/2017	A	25,000	(1)	08/01/2027	Common Stock	25,000		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
KIRSKE DAVID C/O CTI BIOPHARMA CORP. 3101 WESTERN AVE., SUITE 600 SEATTLE, WA 98121				See Remarks

Signatures

/s/ Bruce J. Seeley, Attorney-in-fact for David
Kirske

Date

08/03/2017

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).

The stock options will vest over a period of one year from the grant date in twelve equal monthly installments. The grant will accelerate (1) and fully vest should Mr. Kirske's employment be terminated by the Company without cause within the first six months after the grant date.

Remarks:

principal financial and accounting officer

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