BENNER STEVEN E

Form 4

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading BENNER STEVEN E Issuer Symbol CELL THERAPEUTICS INC (Check all applicable) [CTIC] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) 3101 WESTERN AVENUE, SUITE 03/21/2013 EVP, Chief Medical Officer 600 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting SEATTLE, WA 98121 (City) (State) (Zip)

(City)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Own								
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. Securitie on(A) or Disp (Instr. 3, 4	osed o	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	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	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock (1)	03/21/2013		A	296,705	A	\$0	363,371	D	
Common Stock							33,334	I	by Trust

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orderivative 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 Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou Numb Share
Performance Rights (2)	\$ 0	03/21/2013		A	253,438 (2)	(2)	12/31/2015	Common Stock	253,

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BENNER STEVEN E 3101 WESTERN AVENUE, SUITE 600 SEATTLE, WA 98121

EVP, Chief Medical Officer

Signatures

Louis A. Bianco, Attorney-in-fact for Steven E.
Benner
03/22/2013

**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 transaction represents a grant by CTIC of restricted stock. The grant is scheduled to vest as to one-third of the shares on the dates that are six months, 12 months and 18 months after the date of grant.

This transaction represents a grant of performance-based restricted stock units pursuant to CTIC's long-term incentive program. The reporting person has been granted an award that is payable in shares of CTIC common stock upon the achievement of certain performance goals on or before December 31, 2015. Should such a goal be timely achieved, the number of shares payable will be determined by

multiplying the payout percentage that has been assigned by CTIC to that goal multiplied by the number of shares of CTIC common stock issued and outstanding at the time that particular goal has been achieved. One such performance goal is the attainment by CTIC of a specified level of market capitalization. The units reported above reflect the 0.225% payout percentage that has been assigned by CTIC to this market capitalization goal for purposes of the reporting person's award multiplied by the number of shares of CTIC common stock issued and outstanding as of March 21, 2013.

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