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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Neylan John F.

(First)

(Middle)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

KERYX

BIOPHARMACEUTICALS INC

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

(Check all applicable)

[KERX]

Director X_ Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

below) Chief Medical Officer

(Month/Day/Year) 03/20/2018

C/O KERYX BIOPHARMACEUTICALS, INC., ONE MARINA PARK DRIVE, 12TH FLOOR

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

D

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

BOSTON, MA 02210

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

Common 41,250 03/20/2018 A (1) Stock

\$0 $156,736 \frac{(2)}{}$ (1)

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or Derivative 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 o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 4.16	03/20/2018		A	82,500	03/20/2019(3)	03/20/2028	Common Stock	82,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Neylan John F. C/O KERYX BIOPHARMACEUTICALS, INC. ONE MARINA PARK DRIVE, 12TH FLOOR

Chief Medical Officer

BOSTON, MA 02210

Signatures
/s/ Scott A. Holmes,

03/22/2018

Date

Attorney-in-Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person

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 41,250 shares are restricted common stock, with one-third of the 41,250 shares vesting on March 20, 2019 and one-twelfth vesting on (1) each of June 20, 2019, September 20, 2019, December 20, 2019, March 20, 2020, June 20, 2020, September 20, 2020, December 20, 2020 and March 20, 2021.
- (2) Includes 95,414 shares of restricted stock.
 - The stock options vest according to the following schedule: one-third of the 82,500 options will vest on March 20, 2019 and one-twelfth
- (3) will vest on each of June 20, 2019, September 20, 2019, December 20, 2019, March 20, 2020, June 20, 2020, September 20, 2020, December 20, 2020 and March 20, 2021.

Remarks:

Exhibit List - Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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