#### BENTSUR RON

Form 4

September 22, 2009

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **BENTSUR RON** Issuer Symbol KERYX (Check all applicable) **BIOPHARMACEUTICALS INC** [KERX] \_X\_\_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify X\_ Officer (give title (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction below) (Month/Day/Year) Chief Executive Officer 750 LEXINGTON AVE, 20TH FL 09/22/2009 (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 NEW YORK, NY 10022 Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficial Code Beneficially (D) or (Instr. 8) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 100,000 09/22/2009 A \$0 392,221 D (1)Stock

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)

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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.  onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)			7. Title a Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 a	unt of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)  (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	or Title Nu of	umber		

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
BENTSUR RON 750 LEXINGTON AVE 20TH FL NEW YORK, NY 10022	X		Chief Executive Officer					

## **Signatures**

/s/ Ron Bentsur 09/22/2009

\*\*Signature of Date
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).

Mr. Bentsur received 100,000 shares of restricted common stock of Keryx Biopharmaceuticals, Inc. pursuant to the terms of his (1) employment agreement. The restricted common stock vests as follows: 33,333 vest on September 22, 2010; 33,333 vest on September 22, 2011; and the remainder vest on September 22, 2012.

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