

Adamas Pharmaceuticals Inc  
Form 4  
February 23, 2017

**FORM 4**

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

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**DAWSON WILLIAM J**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**C/O ADAMAS  
PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 1900  
POWELL ST., SUITE 750**

(Street)

**EMERYVILLE, CA 94608**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
**Adamas Pharmaceuticals Inc  
[ADMS]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**02/21/2017**

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)  
Chief Financial Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price		
Common Stock	02/21/2017		A		7,500 (1)	A	\$ 0 15,000 D

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. Transaction Code	5. Number of 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.2	02/21/2017		A	45,000	(2) 02/20/2027	Common Stock	45,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DAWSON WILLIAM J C/O ADAMAS PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 1900 POWELL ST., SUITE 750 EMERYVILLE, CA 94608			Chief Financial Officer	

## Signatures

/s/Jennifer Rhodes, as  
Attorney-in-Fact

02/23/2017

\_\_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).

- The shares of Common Stock are to be acquired upon the vesting of certain Restricted Stock Units granted to the Reporting Person. The
- (1) Restricted Stock Units shall vest as follows: 25% of the total number of Restricted Stock Units will vest on each of March 20, 2018, March 20, 2019, March 20, 2020 and March 20, 2021, subject to Reporting Person's Continuous Service as of each such date.
  - (2) The Option shares shall vest as follows: 1/48th of the option shares shall vest on the 1st of each month beginning with April 1, 2017, subject to Reporting Person's Continuous Service as of each such date.

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