

CTI BIOPHARMA CORP  
 Form 4  
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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 \*  
 NUDELMAN PHILLIP M PHD

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O CTI BIOPHARMA  
 CORP., 3101 WESTERN AVENUE,  
 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)

02/23/2017

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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

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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) |                  |                 |              |                            |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|
|                             |                                          |                      | Code            | V                                                               | (A)              | (D)              | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title        | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 4.25                                  | 02/23/2017           | A               |                                                                 | 50,000           |                  | <u>(1)</u>       | 02/22/2027      | Common Stock | 50,000                     |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                                                           | Relationships |           |         |       |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|                                                                                                          | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| NUDELMAN PHILLIP M PHD<br>C/O CTI BIOPHARMA CORP.<br>3101 WESTERN AVENUE, SUITE 600<br>SEATTLE, WA 98121 | X             |           |         |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Louis A. Bianco, Attorney-in-fact for Phillip M. Nudelman  
PhD

02/27/2017

\*\*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).

(1) This stock option was granted on February 23, 2017 and vests on the first to occur of (i) the date that is twelve months after the date of grant, (ii) the first annual meeting of CTIC's shareholders in 2018 at which one or more members of the CTIC Board of Directors are to be elected, or (iii) immediately prior to the occurrence of a Change of Control (as such term is defined in CTIC's 2015 Equity Incentive Plan), subject to the Reporting Persons' continued service through such date or event.

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