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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Marshall Keith W

(Last)

(First) (Middle)

C/O CONATUS PHARMACEUTICALS INC., 16745 WEST BERNARDO DRIVE, SUITE

200

(Street)

SAN DIEGO, CA 92127

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

Conatus Pharmaceuticals Inc.

[CNAT] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 02/04/2018

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Director

X_ Officer (give title

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

EVP, COO & CFO

10% Owner

Other (specify

Issuer

below)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(State)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

5. Amount of 6. Ownership Form: Direct (I) (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

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(A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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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. Transactic 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8 1 9 (
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 5.17	02/04/2018		A	70,000	<u>(1)</u>	02/03/2028	Common Stock	70,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Marshall Keith W C/O CONATUS PHARMACEUTICALS INC. 16745 WEST BERNARDO DRIVE, SUITE 200 SAN DIEGO, CA 92127

EVP, COO & CFO

Signatures

/s/ Michelle L. Vandertie, Attorney-in-Fact for Keith W. Marshall

02/05/2018

**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 option was granted on February 4, 2018. 25% of the total number of shares of common stock subject to the option will vest on

(1) February 2, 2019, and 1/48th of the total number of shares of common stock subject to the option will vest monthly thereafter, subject to the Reporting Person's continued employment or service relationship with the Issuer on each such vesting date.

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