## FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*   ABERCROMBIE GEORGE B					r Name <b>and</b> Ticker CRYST PHA []					ationship of Reportin ( all applicable) Director Officer (give title	10% 0				
(Last) PO BOX 16059	(First)	(Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/23/2012							below)	below			
(Street)					endment, Date of (	Driginal	Filed	(Month/Day/Ye	Line)						
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)									Feison				
		Table I - No	n-Derivat	tive S	ecurities Acq	uired,	Disp	oosed of, o	r Bene	eficially	Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date (Month/L					2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr.		4. Securities / Disposed Of ( 5) Amount			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)		

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	ise (Month/Day/Year) if any (Month/Day/Ye /e		Code (Instr.		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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Automatic Stock Option Grant <sup>(1)</sup>	\$3.32	05/23/2012		A		15,000		06/23/2012 <sup>(2)</sup>	05/23/2022	Common Stock	15,000	\$0	15,000	D	

### Explanation of Responses:

1. Automatic non-employee director grant pursuant to the BioCryst Pharmaceuticals, Inc. Stock Incentive Plan (the "Plan").

2. Vest 1/12 per month over 12 months beginning June 23, 2012

#### /s/ Michael Richardson, by power of attorney

05/24/2012

Date

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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