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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* **BIOCRYST PHARMACEUTICALS INC [** (Check all applicable) **BENNETT J CLAUDE** Director 10% Owner Х BCRX] Other (specify below) Officer (give title Х (Last) (First) (Middle) below) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) **Chief Operating Officer** 2190 PARKWAY LAKE DRIVE 03/14/2008 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) (Street) BIRMINGHAM AL 35244-X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction 2A. Deemed 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Transaction Code (Instr. 8) Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Indirect Beneficial Date Execution Date Securities if any (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year) Beneficially **Owned Following** Ownership Reported (Instr. 4) (A) or (D) Transaction(s) Code v Price Amount (Instr. 3 and 4) Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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. Transa Code (8)			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)	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		(Instr. 4)		
Emp. Stock Option (right to buy)	\$3.26	03/14/2008		A		17,000 ⁽¹⁾		03/14/2009	03/14/2018	Common Stock	17,000	\$3.26	17,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Options become exercisable at the rate of 25% after 1 year and then 1/48 per month thereafter until fully vested and exercisable after 48 months.

03/18/2008

Michael Richardson By POA ** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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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