FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  RAY RUSSELL T					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  MERRIMACK PHARMACEUTICALS  INC [ MACK ]							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issu (Check all applicable)  X Director 10% Ow  Officer (give title Other (s)			/ner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O MERRIMACK PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. ONE KENDALL SQUARE, SUITE B7201					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/13/2017							below)		Filing	Other (s below)	
(Street) CAMBRIDGE MA 02139				_   <sup>4. 1</sup> _	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ne)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(Si		(Zip) le I - Non-De	ivative	e Se	curitie	s Ac	cauired. D	isposed (	of. or Be	neficia	lv Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D				nsaction	ction 2A. Deemed Execution Date,			3. Transacti Code (Ins	4. Secur Dispose 5)	ities Acquir d Of (D) (Ins	ed (A) or str. 3, 4 and	5. Amount of		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership Instr. 4)
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr 8)				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$13.99	09/13/2017		A		7,500		(1)	09/12/2027	Common Stock	7,500	\$0.00	7,500		D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. This option is fully vested.

## Remarks:

/s/ Brian J. Kickham, attorney-09/15/2017

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\*\* 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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