FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address PORTER MI		•	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MERRIMACK PHARMACEUTICALS INC [MACK]		ationship of Reporting Per k all applicable) Director	10% Owner			
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O MERRIMACK PHARMACEUTICAL ONE KENDALL SQUARE, SUITE B7201		,	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/03/2012		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)			
(Street) CAMBRIDGE	MA	02139	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)							
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transa Code (8)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(IIISU. 4)		
Common Stock	04/03/2012		P		12,500	A	\$7	75,500	D			
Common Stock	04/03/2012		С		56,509	A	(1)	132,009	D			
Common Stock	04/03/2012		С		34,286	A	(2)	166,295	D			
Common Stock	04/03/2012		С		25,000	A	(3)	191,295	D			
Common Stock	04/03/2012		С		33,000	A	(4)	224,295	D			
Common Stock	04/03/2012		С		28,570	A	(5)	252,865	D			

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			vative urities uired or oosed o) (Instr.	6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/\)	ate	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				
Series C Convertible Preferred Stock	(1)	04/03/2012		С			56,509	(1)	(1)	Common Stock	56,509	\$0	0	D	
Series D Convertible Preferred Stock	(2)	04/03/2012		С			34,286	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	34,286	\$0	0	D	
Series E Convertible Preferred Stock	(3)	04/03/2012		С			25,000	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	25,000	\$0	0	D	
Series F Convertible Preferred Stock	(4)	04/03/2012		С			33,000	(4)	(4)	Common Stock	33,000	\$0	0	D	
Series G Convertible Preferred Stock	(5)	04/03/2012		С			28,570	(5)	(5)	Common Stock	28,570	\$0	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Each share of Series C Convertible Preferred Stock automatically converted into one share of Common Stock upon the closing of the issuer's initial public offering and had no expiration date.
- 2. Each share of Series D Convertible Preferred Stock automatically converted into one share of Common Stock upon the closing of the issuer's initial public offering and had no expiration date.
- 3. Each share of Series E Convertible Preferred Stock automatically converted into one share of Common Stock upon the closing of the issuer's initial public offering and had no expiration date.
- 4. Each share of Series F Convertible Preferred Stock automatically converted into one share of Common Stock upon the closing of the issuer's initial public offering and had no expiration date.
- 5. Each share of Series G Convertible Preferred Stock automatically converted into one share of Common Stock upon the closing of the issuer's initial public offering and had no expiration date.

** Signature of Reporting Person

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

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