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FORM 4

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

SECURITIES

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1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Musket David B

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

CAPRICOR THERAPEUTICS, INC. [CAPR]

(Month/Day/Year)

01/02/2018

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X_ Director Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O CAPRICOR THERAPEUTICS. INC., 8840 WILSHIRE BLVD.,

2ND FLOOR

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90211

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(City)

Security

(Instr. 3)

(State)

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

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

(Instr. 8)

3.

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial

(Instr. 4)

Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 1.57	01/02/2018		A	38,000	<u>(1)</u>	01/02/2028	Common Stock	38,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Musket David B C/O CAPRICOR THERAPEUTICS, INC. 8840 WILSHIRE BLVD., 2ND FLOOR BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90211



Signatures

/s/ Linda Marban, as Attorney-in-Fact

01/04/2018

**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).

10,500 of the shares will vest 1/48th on the first day of each month, commencing February 1, 2018, until the stock option becomes fully vested and exercisable. The remaining 27,500 shares will vest 1/12 on the first day of each month, commencing February 1, 2018, with the last month vesting on December 31, 2018. However, the option is subject to early exercise and, therefore, all or any part of the option can be exercised at any time. If the reporting person elects to take advantage of the early exercise feature and purchase shares prior to the vesting of such shares, the shares will be deemed restricted stock and will be subject to a repurchase option in favor of the Registrant if the reporting person's service to the Registrant terminates prior to vesting.

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