

Protalix BioTherapeutics, Inc.
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Shaaltiel Yoseph

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O PROTALIX
BIOTHERAPEUTICS, INC., 2
SNUNIT STREET, SCIENCE
PARK, POB 455

(Street)

CARMIEL, L3 20100

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Protalix BioTherapeutics, Inc. [PLX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)

09/15/2016

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Executive VP, R&D

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Stock | 09/15/2016 | | M | V | 122,162 A \$ 0.001 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 210,000 ⁽¹⁾ | I | By Trust ⁽²⁾ |

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)

| 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) | 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---|
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 0.001 | 09/15/2016 | | M | 122,162 | (3) (3) | Common Stock | 122,162 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Shaaltiel Yoseph C/O PROTALIX BIOTHERAPEUTICS, INC. 2 SNUNIT STREET, SCIENCE PARK, POB 455 CARMIEL, L3 20100 | | | Executive VP, R&D | |

Signatures

/s/ Yossi Maimon, POA 09/16/2016

**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).
- (1) Represents restricted shares of common stock of Protalix BioTherapeutics, Inc., issued under its 2006 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended June 17, 2012 (the "Plan"), all of which have vested. Vested restricted shares are subject to a lock-up for a 24-month period from the date of vesting. Notwithstanding the foregoing and subject to certain exceptions, the lock-up period will terminate immediately upon a Change in Control, as defined in the Plan.
- (2) To qualify for certain tax benefits under Section 102 of the Israeli Tax Ordinance, securities issued to an employee in connection with the Plan must be registered in the name of a trustee.
- (3) Represents exercise of all stock underlying the derivative security.
- Does not include options to purchase 263,728 shares of common stock at an exercise price equal to \$5.00 per share that expire on February 7, 2018; options to purchase 50,000 shares of common stock at an exercise price equal to \$2.65 per share that expire on February 25, 2019; options to purchase 145,000 shares of common stock at an exercise price equal to \$6.90 per share that expire on February 25, 2020; and options to purchase 275,000 shares of common stock at an exercise price equal to \$1.72 per share that expire on March 23, 2025.

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