RIPLEY DANIEL L.

Form 4

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

RIPLEY DANIEL L.

(Last)

(City)

Symbol Conatus Pharmaceuticals Inc.

[CNAT]

(First) (Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner _ Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year) 02/04/2018

X_ Officer (give title below) SVP, Bus Dev, P&A Mgmt

(Check all applicable)

C/O CONATUS PHARMACEUTICALS INC., 16745 WEST BERNARDO DRIVE, SUITE 200

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One Reporting

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

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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		ispose		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or	Indirect Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)		8) V	(Instr. 3,	(A) or (D)	Price	Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	05/12/2017		A(1)	V	761	A	\$ 1.7 (2)	28,462	I	See footnote.
Common Stock	11/14/2017		A <u>(1)</u>	V	818	A	\$ 3.48 (4)	29,280	I	See footnote.

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. Transactic 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)	\$ 5.17	02/04/2018		A	40,000	<u>(5)</u>	02/03/2028	Common Stock	40,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

RIPLEY DANIEL L. C/O CONATUS PHARMACEUTICALS INC. 16745 WEST BERNARDO DRIVE, SUITE 200 SAN DIEGO, CA 92127

SVP, Bus Dev, P&A Mgmt

Signatures

/s/ Michelle L. Vandertie, Attorney-in-Fact for Daniel L. Ripley

02/05/2018

**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).
- (1) These shares were acquired under the Company's 2013 Employee Stock Purchase Plan in transactions that were exempt under both Rule 16b-3(d) and Rule 16b-3(c).
- (2) In accordance with the Company's 2013 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, these shares were purchased based on 85% of the closing price of the Issuer's common stock on November 15, 2016, which was the first trading day of the applicable offering period.
- (3) Held by family trust of which the Reporting Person is a trustee. Shares transferred from Reporting Person to family trust immediately following acquisition.

(4)

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In accordance with the Company's 2013 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, these shares were purchased based on 85% of the closing price of the Issuer's common stock on November 14, 2017, which was the last trading day of the applicable offering period.

The option was granted on February 4, 2018. 25% of the total number of shares of common stock subject to the option will vest on (5) February 2, 2019, and 1/48th of the total number of shares of common stock subject to the option will vest monthly thereafter, subject to the Reporting Person's continued employment or service relationship with the Issuer on each such vesting date.

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