FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| Name and Address of Reporting Person* COSTA SANTO J | | | | | <u>CY</u> | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CYTOKINETICS INC [CYTK] | | | | | | | | | tionship all appl Direct | , | | erson(s) to Is | |
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| (Last) | , | · · | Middle) | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/20/2015 | | | | | | | | | Officer (give title below) | | | Other (below) | specify |
| 280 EAST GRAND AVENUE (Street) SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO CA 94080 | | | | 4. If A | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | | |
| (City) | (SI | ate) (| Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Tab | le I - No | on-Deriv | ative S | Sec | urities | Ac | quired, D | isp | osed o | of, or Be | enefici | ally | Owne | d | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transacti Date (Month/Day) | | | | | Execution Date, | | | Transaction Dispos Code (Instr. and 5) | | | rities Acqı ed Of (D) (| | | ies cially | Fori (D) (Indi | m: Direct | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
| | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amoun | nount (A) or (D) | | e | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | (IIIS | u. 4) | (111501 . 4) | |
| | 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) | | n of E | | 6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day/ | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | | 9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. | Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. | Beneficial Ownership | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Exp | oiration te | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | | | |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$6.21 | 05/20/2015 | | | A | | 20,000 | | (1) | 05/ | 20/2025 | Common Stock | 20,000 |) [| \$0.00 | 20,000 | | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. This option shall vest and become exercisable in 12 equal monthly installments and shall become fully vested on May 20, 2016.

Remarks:

/s/ Sharon A. Barbari, attorney-in-fact for Santo J.

05/21/2015

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** Signature of Reporting Person

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).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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