FORM 4

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## **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*     McDowell Caryn Gordon						Susuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CYTOKINETICS INC [ CYTK ]      Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/27/2018  4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									k all applic	able) r	g Person(s) to Issu 10% Owi Other (sp		vner
(Last) (First) (Middle) 280 EAST GRAND AVENUE  (Street) SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO CA 94080															below) '				
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(City)	(S	State)	(Zip)												reisoi	l.			
		Tak	le I - No	n-Deri	vativ	e Se	ecuritie	s Ac	quired	, Dis	posed c	of, or Be	nefic	ially	Owned				
Date			2. Trans Date (Month			2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)			and Securiti Benefic Owned		es Fo ially (D) Following (I)		n: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)		e	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)
Common Stock			02/27/2018		8			A		20,00	0 A	\$0	\$0.001	35,000(1)		D			
Common	ommon Stock			02/2	8/201	.8			F		2,452	2 D	\$7	7.75	32,	32,548		D	
		-	Table II -									, or Ben ble sec			Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		n of		6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea		able and			unt 8	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	Owners Form: Direct (I or Indire (I) (Instr	Ownership	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	V (A)		(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Share	oer					
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$7.8	02/27/2018			A		15,226		(2)	(	02/27/2028	Common Stock	15,2	26	\$0.0	15,220	6	D	
Non- Qualified Stock Option	\$7.8	02/27/2018			A		14,774		(2)		02/27/2028	Common Stock	14,7	74	\$0.0	14,774	4	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- $1.\ The\ restricted\ stock\ units\ vest\ in\ three\ annual\ installments.\ Vested\ shares\ will\ be\ delivered\ to\ the\ reporting\ person\ as\ follows:\ 40\%\ on\ 02/27/2019,\ 40\%\ on\ 03/01/2021.$
- 2. When the ISO and NQ dated 02/27/2018 are combined, the total grant shall vest and become exercisable in equal monthly installments such that the option shall be 100% vested on 02/27/2022.

Caryn McDowell

03/01/2018

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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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