FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] COSTA SANTO J						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>CYTOKINETICS INC</u> [CYTK]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner				
(Last)		irst) (3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/18/2016									r (give title		Other (below)			
280 EAST GRAND AVENUE						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)				
(Street) SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO CA 94080														Form	Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(S	tate) ((Zip)															
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transact Date (Month/Day						Execution Date,			Code (In	Transaction Dispose Code (Instr. and 5)		rities Acquired (A ed Of (D) (Instr. 3,		Securi Benefi Owned	ies Fo cially (D Inc		m: Direct or rect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
									Code	v	Amount	(A) ((D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)		(Instr. 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. Transact Code (In 8)	tion of			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		xpiration late	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shares	1				
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$7.61	05/18/2016		_	А		20,000		06/18/2016 ⁽	1) 0	5/18/2026	Common Stock	20,000	\$0.0	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 18, 2017.

By: Sharon A. Barbari For:

Santo J. Costa

05/19/2016

** 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).

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