Conatus Pharmaceuticals Inc.

Form 4

February 01, 2017

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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

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See Instruction 1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Mento Steven J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

Conatus Pharmaceuticals Inc.

[CNAT]

(Middle)

(Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

01/26/2017

_X__ Director X_ Officer (give title

Issuer

below)

10% Owner Other (specify

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(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

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3.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

President, CEO & Director

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

SAN DIEGO, CA 92127

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

(Month/Day/Year)

Code (Instr. 8)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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)

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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)	\$ 4.21	01/26/2017		A	172,500	<u>(1)</u>	01/25/2027	Common Stock	172,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Kelationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Mento Steven J C/O CONATUS PHARMACEUTICALS INC. 16745 WEST BERNARDO DRIVE, SUITE 200 SAN DIEGO, CA 92127	X		President, CEO & Director			

Signatures

/s/ Charles J. Cashion, Attorney-in-Fact for Steven J.
Mento
02/01/2017

**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).

The option was granted on January 26, 2017. 25% of the total number of shares of common stock subject to the option will vest on

(1) January 26, 2018, 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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