

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Merrigan Paul J</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>355 ALHAMBRA CIRCLE</u> <u>SUITE 1250</u> (Street) <u>FORT LAUDERDALE FL 33134</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <u>09/08/2015</u>	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>CATALYST PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. [CPRX]</u>	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> X Officer (give title below) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) <u>Chief Commercial Officer</u>	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/>

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date				
Options to purchase common stock	09/08/2016	09/08/2022	Common Stock	50,000	3.89	D
Options to purchase common stock	(1)	09/08/2022	Common Stock	(1)	3.89	D
Options to purchase common stock	09/08/2018	09/08/2022	Common Stock	4,159	3.89	D

Explanation of Responses:

1. 4,167 shares will vest on a monthly basis on the 8th of each month commencing on October 8, 2016 through and until August 8, 2018.

/s/ Paul J. Merrigan 09/16/2015

** 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 5 (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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