Craig Adam R Form 4 May 17, 2018

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

Security

(Instr. 3)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Craig Adam R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

CTI BIOPHARMA CORP [ctic]

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

(Month/Day/Year) 05/16/2018

3101 WESTERN AVENUE, SUITE 800

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

_X__ Director 10% Owner

Issuer

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) President and CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

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

SEATTLE, WA 98121

(City) (State) (Zip) 1. Title of

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Code V Amount (D) Price

Securities Owned Following

(A)

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

5. Amount of Beneficially Reported

6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)

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Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

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

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amor Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am Nui Sha
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 4.14	05/16/2018		A		475,000		<u>(1)</u>	05/16/2028	Common Stock	47

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
r	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Craig Adam R 3101 WESTERN AVENUE SUITE 800 SEATTLE, WA 98121	X		President and CEO				

Signatures

Bruce J. Seeley, Attorney-in-fact For: Adam R.

Craig

**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 stock option will vest in six equal semi-annual installments over a three-year period commencing on March 9, 2018 subject to continued employment with the Company through the applicable vesting dates, such that the option will be fully vested on March 9, 2021.

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