

CRITICAL THERAPEUTICS INC  
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**FORM 4**

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Phillips Trevor

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
CRITICAL THERAPEUTICS INC  
[CRTX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
C/O CRITICAL THERAPEUTICS, INC., 60 WESTVIEW STREET  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
10/31/2008

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Former President & CEO

LEXINGTON, MA 02421

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				(A) or (D)	Price \$			
				Code	V	Amount		
Common Stock	10/31/2008		F(1)	507 (2)	D	3.9 (3)	7,754 (2)	D
Common Stock							320 (2)	I
								By children (4)

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)**

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative 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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 6)		
					Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
					Code	V	(A)	(D)			

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Phillips Trevor C/O CRITICAL THERAPEUTICS, INC. 60 WESTVIEW STREET LEXINGTON, MA 02421			Former President & CEO	

## Signatures

/s/ Trevor Phillips 11/04/2008  
 \*\*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).

- (1) Pursuant to a tax withholding right approved by the Company's board of directors, the reporting person satisfied his tax withholding obligations upon the vesting of restricted stock granted to him on December 27, 2006 through a deemed disposition to the Company of a portion of the restricted shares that vested upon termination of his employment following the "change in control" of the Company in connection with the merger with Cornerstone BioPharma Holdings, Inc. The Company deducted and retained these shares from the number of restricted shares that vested.
- (2) On October 31, 2008, the common stock of Critical Therapeutics, Inc. was the subject of a 1-for-10 reverse stock split, resulting in a reduction to the reporting person's ownership of common stock to reflect such reverse stock split.
- (3) Price adjusted to reflect reverse stock split
- (4) Represents shares held by the children of the reporting person who share the reporting person's household. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein. This report should not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of these shares for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

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