CAPRICOR THERAPEUTICS, INC.

Form 4

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FORM 4

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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obligations

may continue.

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Ascheim Deborah

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

CAPRICOR THERAPEUTICS,

INC. [CAPR]

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O CAPRICOR, INC., 8840 WILSHIRE BLVD, 2ND FLOOR

(Street)

(State)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 01/03/2017

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

(Check all applicable)

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Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

Chief Medical Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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Person

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

BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90211

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security

(City)

(Instr. 3)

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

(Zip)

3. TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

4. Securities 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)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (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)

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 1. Title of (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Derivative Conversion

5. Number of TransactionDerivative

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities**

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8	8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 2.55	01/03/2017		A		50,000		<u>(1)</u>	01/03/2027(1)	Common Stock	50,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Ascheim Deborah C/O CAPRICOR, INC. 8840 WILSHIRE BLVD, 2ND FLOOR BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90211

Chief Medical Officer

Signatures

/s/ Linda Marban, as
Attorney-in-Fact
01/04/2017

**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).

1/48th of the shares subject to the stock option award shall vest on the first day of each month, commencing February 1, 2017, until the stock option becomes fully vested and exercisable. However, the option is subject to early exercise and, therefore, all or any part of the

option can be exercised at any time. If the reporting person elects to take advantage of the early exercise feature and purchase shares prior to the vesting of such shares, the shares will be deemed restricted stock and will be subject to a repurchase option in favor of the Registrant if the reporting person's service to the Registrant terminates prior to vesting.

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