

Biostage, Inc.
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
KENNEDY JOHN F

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**C/O BIOSTAGE, INC., 84
OCTOBER HILL ROAD, SUITE 11**

(Street)

HOLLISTON, MA 01746

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Biostage, Inc. [BSTG]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/14/2017

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Amount | | |
| | | | | Code | V | | 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)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (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 | Amount or Number of Shares |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------|---|------|---|-----|-----|------------------|-----------------|--|----------------------------|
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 0.38 | 03/14/2017 | A | 25,000 | | | | | (1) | 03/14/2027 | Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 25,000 |
| Restricted Stock Units | (2) | 03/14/2017 | A | 18,250 | | | | | (3) | (3) | Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 18,250 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| KENNEDY JOHN F C/O BIOSTAGE, INC. 84 OCTOBER HILL ROAD, SUITE 11 HOLLISTON, MA 01746 | X | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Chad Porter, by power of attorney
03/16/2017

**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) The option shares vest in full one year from the date of grant.
- (2) Restricted stock units granted by the Issuer pursuant to its 2013 Equity Incentive Plan and qualified under Rule 16b-3(d). Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Common Stock of the Issuer.
- (3) The restricted stock units vest and settle in full one year from the date of grant.

Remarks:

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