UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

OMB APPROVAL OMB 3235-Number: 0287

longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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

Estimated average burden hours per response..

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

| (Print or Type Respo | nses) | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|--------------|---|--------------------------------------|--|---|------------------------|--|--|---|--|
| 1. Name and Addres BUCALO LOUIS | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol TITAN PHARMACEUTICALS INC [AMEX - TTP] | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) 10% Owner0fficer (give titleOther (specify below) | | | | | |
| 400 OYSTER PC | 3. Date of Ea (Month/Day/ 01/02/2008 | Year) | nsac | ction | | Executive | e Chairman | | | | |
| SO. SAN FRANC | 4. If Amendment, Date 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 | | | | | |
| (City) | (State) (Zip) | | Table I - | riva | rative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | Date | Execu any | Deemed tion Date, if th/Day/Year) | 3. Transact Code (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securit Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3, | (A) or l of (D) | 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| Reminder: Report on directly or indirectly. | | ach cla | ss of securitie | es benefic | cially | owned | | | | | |
| | | | | | in re | formatio | n contain o respond | nd to the collection ed in this form are r I unless the form dis I control number. | not | SEC 1474 (9-02) | |

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned $(\emph{e.g.}, \textbf{puts}, \textbf{calls}, \textbf{warrants}, \textbf{options}, \textbf{convertible} \ \textbf{securities})$

| (e.g., puts, cans, warrants, options, convertible securities) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|------------------------------------|--------------------------|--|---------------------|--|--------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|--------------------|--|-------------------------------------|--|---------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| | Conversion | Date (Month/Day/Year) | | Transaction Code | | Derivative Securities | | Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities | | Derivative | | Ownership | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | | | | Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | | | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | (Instr. 5) | Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) | Direct (D) or Indirect | Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | | Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | (Instr. 4) | (Instr. 4) | |
| Option to Purchase Common Stock | 1 | 01/02/2008 | | A | | 150,000 | | <u>(1)</u> | 01/02/2018 | Common Stock | 150,000 | \$0 | 150,000 | D | |

Reporting Owners

| Donouting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | | |
| BUCALO LOUIS R MD 400 OYSTER POINT BLVD., SUITE 505 SO. SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080 | X | | Executive Chairman | | | | | |

Signatures

| /s/ Louis R. Bucalo | 01/04/2008 |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| 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) Options to purchase 50% of the shares vest on January 2, 2009 and the remaining options to purchase 50% of the shares vest in twelve equal monthly installments beginning on February 2, 2009.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

| Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number. |
|---|
| |
| |
| |
| |
| |
| |
| |
| |
| |
| |
| |
| |
| |
| |
| |
| |
| |
| |
| |
| |
| |
| |
| |
| |
| |