Mast Therapeutics, Inc. Form 4

January 23, 2017

FORM 4

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(City)

1. Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **Hood Shana**

(First) (Middle) (Last)

3611 VALLEY CENTRE DRIVE, SUITE 500

(Street)

(State)

(Month/Day/Year)

SAN DIEGO, CA 92130

(Zip)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Mast Therapeutics, Inc. [MSTX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 01/20/2017

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of

Execution Date, if Code (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

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

Following Reported (A) Transaction(s)

(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)

1. Title of Derivative Security

Conversion or Exercise

(Month/Day/Year)

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code 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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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

General Counsel & VP

6. Ownership

Form: Direct

(D) or Indirect Beneficial

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

(T)

(Instr. 4)

below)

10% Owner

Other (specify

7. Nature of

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

Indirect

Issuer

below)

Person

Securities

Owned

Beneficially

Director

Applicable Line)

X_ Officer (give title

Estimated average

burden hours per

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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
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	01/20/2017		A		453,556		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	453,556

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Hood Shana

3611 VALLEY CENTRE DRIVE, SUITE 500 SAN DIEGO, CA 92130

General Counsel & VP

Signatures

/s/ Shana Hood 01/23/2017

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the issuer's common stock.
- The restricted stock units vest in full upon consummation of the merger transaction contemplated by the Agreement and Plan of Merger,
- (2) dated January 6, 2017, by and among the issuer, Savara Inc., and Victoria Merger Corp. (provided such event occurs on or before July 6, 2017).

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