Smith Edward F III Form 4 February 05, 2018

### FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Conatus Pharmaceuticals Inc.

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

Symbol

[CNAT]

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

Smith Edward F III

(First)

(Middle)

any

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

02/04/2018

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

(Check all applicable)

SVP, Reg Affairs and QA

Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify

C/O CONATUS PHARMACEUTICALS INC., 16745 WEST BERNARDO DRIVE, SUITE

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Security

(Instr. 3)

(Street)

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

SAN DIEGO, CA 92127

(City) (State) (Zip) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of

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

Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Price Code V Amount (D)

Common 11/14/2017 Stock

\$  $A_{(1)}^{(1)}$  V 4,461 3.48 A

4,461 D (2)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 5.17	02/04/2018		A	40,000	(3)	02/03/2028	Common Stock	40,000

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Smith Edward F III C/O CONATUS PHARMACEUTICALS INC. 16745 WEST BERNARDO DRIVE, SUITE 200 SAN DIEGO, CA 92127

SVP, Reg Affairs and QA

### **Signatures**

/s/ Michelle L. Vandertie, Attorney-in-Fact for Edward F. Smith, III

02/05/2018 Date

\*\*Signature of 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) These shares were acquired under the Company's 2013 Employee Stock Purchase Plan in transactions that were exempt under both Rule 16b-3(d) and Rule 16b-3(c).
- (2) In accordance with the Company's 2013 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, these shares were purchased based on 85% of the closing price of the Issuer's common stock on November 14, 2017, which was the last trading day of the applicable offering period.
- The option was granted on February 4, 2018. 25% of the total number of shares of common stock subject to the option will vest on (3) February 2, 2019, and 1/48th of the total number of shares of common stock subject to the option will vest monthly thereafter, subject to the Reporting Person's continued employment or service relationship with the Issuer on each such vesting date.

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