

Mulroy Robert J.  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
Mulroy Robert J.

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O MERRIMACK  
PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., ONE  
KENDALL SQUARE, SUITE  
B7201

(Street)

CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
MERRIMACK  
PHARMACEUTICALS INC  
[MACK]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
08/23/2012

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)  
President and CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |     |       |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|-----|-------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | 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)**

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| 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. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative 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)                | \$ 7.53  | 08/23/2012                           |  | A                   | 750,000   | (1)  | 08/22/2022  | Common Stock     | 750,000         |       |                            |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                   |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer           | Other |
| Mulroy Robert J.<br>C/O MERRIMACK PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.<br>ONE KENDALL SQUARE, SUITE B7201<br>CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139 | X             |           | President and CEO |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Jeffrey A. Munsie,  
attorney-in-fact

08/27/2012

                     \*\*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) This option vests as to 1/12th of the total number of shares on 11/23/12 and an additional 1/12th of the total number of shares at the end of each successive three month period thereafter until 8/23/15.

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