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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Prelack Steven

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

GALECTIN THERAPEUTICS INC

(Check all applicable)

[GALT]

03/12/2013

(Middle)

(Zip)

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

X_ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O GALECTIN THERAPEUTICS INC., 4960 PEACHTREE INDUSTRIAL BLVD, STE 240

(Street)

(State)

03/12/2013

03/12/2013

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

NORCROSS, GA 30071

(City)

Common

Common

Stock

Stock

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

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

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Securities Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported

(A) or Code V Amount (D) Price

631

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

 $3.567^{(1)}$ M 1,167

F

2.936

D

D

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 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 |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 2.28 (2) | 03/12/2013 | | M | 1,167 (2) | 03/13/2008 | 03/13/2013 | Common Stock | 1,167 (2) |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |

Prelack Steven C/O GALECTIN THERAPEUTICS INC. X 4960 PEACHTREE INDUSTRIAL BLVD, STE 240 NORCROSS, GA 30071

Signatures

/s/ Steven 03/14/2013 Prelack

**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).
- The Company effected a 1-for-6 reverse stock split in March 2012, resulting in a corresponding reduction in the number of shares **(1)** of common stock owned by the reporting person.
- This option was previously reported as covering 7,000 shares at an exercise price of \$0.38 per share, but was adjusted to reflect **(2)** the 1-for-6 reverse stock split that occurred in March 2012.

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