COTMAN CARL W Form 4

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * COTMAN CARL W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

CORTEX PHARMACEUTICALS

INC/DE/[COR]

(Check all applicable)

15241 BARRANCA PKWY

(First)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

08/22/2009

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Middle)

(Zip)

Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

IRVINE, CA 92618

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

(State)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (I) Following

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

(A) or

Reported 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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of TransactionDerivative Derivative (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if **Expiration Date Underlying Securities** Conversion (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) Security or Exercise Code Securities any

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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
Options to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 0.2	08/22/2009		A		30,000		<u>(1)</u>	08/22/2019	Common Stock	30,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
COTMAN CARL W 15241 BARRANCA PKWY IRVINE, CA 92618	X						

Signatures

Maria S. Messinger, Attorney in fact 08/24/2009

**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) The option becomes vested and exercisable in three equal annual installments beginning on August 22, 2010.

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