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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Smith Mark Alan | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VistaGen Therapeutics, Inc. [VTGN] | | | | | | | | Chec | k all applica Director | able) | g Perso | on(s) to Issu 10% Ow Other (s | ner | |
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| (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O VISTAGEN THERAPEUTICS, INC. 343 ALLERTON AVENUE | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/05/2018 | | | | | | | | Х | X Officer (give title Officer (specific below) CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER | | | | |
| (Street) SOUTH FRANCI | SCO C | | 94080 | 4 | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | 3. Indi ₋ine) X | ′ | | | | | | |
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| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | | | 2 | 2. Transacti Date Month/Day | Execution Date, | | 3. Transa Code (| ction | | | red (A) or str. 3, 4 a | nd 5) | 5. Amoun Securities Beneficia Owned Fo Reported Transacti (Instr. 3 a | s lly ollowing on(s) | Form: | : Direct I Indirect E str. 4) (| 7. Nature of ndirect Beneficial Dwnership Instr. 4) | |
| 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) | vative Conversion Date Execution Date urity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any | | Execution Date | ate, Transaction Code (Instr. | | 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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported | | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisab | | Expiration Date | Title | Amoun or Numbe of Shar | r | | Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | | | |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$1.27 | 08/05/2018 | | A | | 100,000 | | (1) | 0 | 08/05/2028 | Common Stock | 100,0 | 00 | \$0 | 100,00 | 00 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. 25% of the Shares subject to the Option shall vest on Vesting Start Date August 5, 2018, and 1/24th of the remaining Shares subject to the Option shall vest on each monthly anniversary of the Vesting Start Date

/s/ Jerrold D. Dotson, Attorney- 08/06/2018

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** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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