

RUBIN PAUL D  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
RUBIN PAUL D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
CRITICAL THERAPEUTICS INC  
[CRTX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
President and CEO

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
C/O CRITICAL THERAPEUTICS, INC., 60 WESTVIEW STREET  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
01/17/2006

LEXINGTON, MA 02421

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock					9,866	I	Held by Daughter <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	01/17/2006		S <sup>(2)</sup>	300	D	\$ 6.6	51,070
Common Stock	01/17/2006		S <sup>(2)</sup>	100	D	\$ 6.67	50,970
Common Stock	01/17/2006		S <sup>(2)</sup>	100	D	\$ 6.68	50,870
	01/17/2006		S <sup>(2)</sup>	1,300	D	\$ 6.7	49,570

Common  
Stock

Common Stock      01/17/2006      S<sup>(2)</sup>      3,200      D      \$ 6.71      46,370      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. Transaction 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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 5)
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
RUBIN PAUL D C/O CRITICAL THERAPEUTICS, INC. 60 WESTVIEW STREET LEXINGTON, MA 02421	X		President and CEO	

## Signatures

/s/ Scott B. Townsend,  
Attorney-in-Fact      01/17/2006

\*\*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) Represents shares held by the daughter of the reporting person. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein. This report should not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the

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beneficial owner of these shares for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

- (2) The sales reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on August 9, 2005.

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