FORM 4

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 [*] Shaaltiel Yoseph | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Protalix BioTherapeutics, Inc. [PLX] | | | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner | | | | | |
|--|--|--|---|--|---|--|--------|----------|--|----|--|---|-----------------------------------|--|--|---|-----------------------------|--|-------------------------|--|
| (Last) | (Fi | rst) (| | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/25/2009 | | | | | | | | | Office below | r (give title) | | Other (below) | specify | | | |
| C/O PRO | | | | | | | | | | | Executive VP, R&D | | | | | | | | | |
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| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transact Date (Month/Day | | | | | Execution | | | Code (In | Transaction Dispos Code (Instr. and 5) | | rities Acquired (A ed Of (D) (Instr. 3, | | | 5. Amo Securit Benefic Owned Followi | ties Fo cially (D Inc | | n: Direct or rect (I) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amoun | nount (A) or (D) | | rice | Report Transa | | | u. 4) | (1150.4) | |
| | Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if any ((Month/Day/Year) | | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | n of E | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 0 | 8. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4) | | Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial Ownership | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | | piration te | Title | Amou or Numi of Share | ber | | | | | | |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$2.65 | 02/25/2009 | | | А | | 50,000 | | (1) | 02 | /25/2019 | Common Stock | 50,0 | 00 | \$0 | 50,000 | | D | | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. The options vest immediately upon the achievement of certain milestones.

/s/ Yossi Maimon

** Signature of Reporting Person

02/27/2009 Date

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

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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