FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Kovner Bruce						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SYNTA PHARMACEUTICALS CORP [ SNTA ]									all app	p of Reportir blicable) ctor er (give title	ng Pe	₹ 10% C	
(Last)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/07/2011									belov	ν.Ο		below)					
500 PAR	4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applic Line)					Applicable				
(Street) NEW YORK NY 10022															Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(Sta	ate) (Z	Zip)																
		Tabl	e I	- Non-Deriv	ative	Seci	urities	s Ac	quire	d, Di	sposed o	f, or E	Benefic	ially	Owne	ed			
Date				2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Ye	Execution ear) if any				3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			and 5) Secu		ficially d	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
								Code V		Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Repo Trans	eported ransaction(s) nstr. 3 and 4)			(111501. 4)	
Common Stock				12/07/2011					P		11,059	A \$3.954 <sup>(1)(3</sup>		4(1)(3)	5,269,685		D		
Common Stock															7,7	7,761,716		Ι	By CxSynta LLC <sup>(2)</sup>
	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					sinsaction de (Instr. Securitie Acquirec (A) or Disposec of (D) (Instr. 3, and 5)			Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) s s L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)  Amoun or Numbe of Title Shares		of Deri Secu (Inst	3. Price 9. Num derivat Security Instr. 5) Governity Owned Follow Report Transa (Instr.		F C 0 (1	IO. Dwnership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect I) (Instr. I)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The shares were purchased in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$3.93 to \$3.97 per share. The price reported above is the weighted average purchase price. See footnote (3)
- 2. These shares are owned directly by CxSynta LLC and indirectly by the Reporting Person as Chairman of Caxton Corporation, the managing member of CxSynta LLC. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and the inclusion of these shares in this report shall not be deemed an admission of the beneficial ownership of all of the reported shares for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- 3. The Reporting Person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the staff of the SEC, the Issuer or a security holder of the Issuer, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price within the range set forth above.

/s/ Scott B. Bernstein, Attorney-in-Fact 12/09/2011

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Da

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).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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