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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement PROTEON THERAPEUTICS INC [PRTO] Flynn James E (Month/Day/Year) 08/02/2017 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 780 THIRD AVENUE, 37TH (Check all applicable) FLOOR,Â (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner _X_ Director _X_ Other Officer Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by One Reporting *Director by Deputization Person NEW YORK, NYÂ 10017 _X_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Beneficially Owned Ownership (Instr. 4) Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Through Deerfield Private Design Common Stock 877,799 I Fund III, L.P. (1) (2) (3) Through Deerfield Special Common Stock I 149,676 Situations Fund, L.P. (1) (2) (3) Through Deerfield International Common Stock I 110,557 Master Fund, L.P. (1) (2) (3) Through Deerfield Partners, L.P. Common Stock I 86,867

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day/Year) Date Exercisable	ate	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) Amount or Title Number of Shares		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Series A Convertible Preferred Stock	(4)	(4)	Common Stock	16,082,018	\$ <u>(4)</u>	I	Through Deerfield Private Design Fund IV, L.P. (1) (2) (3)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
. 6	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Flynn James E 780 THIRD AVENUE, 37TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017	ÂX	Â	Â	*Director by Deputization	
Deerfield Private Design Fund III, L.P. 780 THIRD AVENUE, 37TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017	ÂX	Â	Â	*Director by Deputization	
Deerfield Special Situations Fund, L.P. 780 3RD AVENUE 37TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017	ÂX	Â	Â	*Director by Deputization	
Deerfield International Master Fund, L.P. 780 THIRD AVENUE, 37TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017	ÂX	Â	Â	*Director by Deputization	
DEERFIELD PARTNERS, L.P. 780 THIRD AVENUE 37TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017	ÂX	Â	Â	*Director by Deputization	
Deerfield Private Design Fund IV, L.P. 780 THIRD AVENUE 37TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017	ÂX	Â	Â	*Director by Deputization	
Deerfield Mgmt L.P. 780 THIRD AVENUE 37TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017	ÂX	Â	Â	*Director by Deputization	
Deerfield Mgmt III, L.P. 780 THIRD AVENUE, 37TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017	ÂX	Â	Â	*Director by Deputization	

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Deerfield Mgmt IV, L.P.

780 THIRD AVENUE, 37TH FLOOR Â X Â *Director by Deputization

NEW YORK, NYÂ 10017

DEERFIELD MANAGEMENT CO

780 THIRD AVENUE, 37TH FLOOR Â X Â *Director by Deputization

NEW YORK, NYÂ 10017

Signatures

/s/ Jonathan Isler, Attorney-in-Fact 08/04/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).
- This Form 3 is being filed by the undersigned as well as the entities listed on the Joint Filer Information Statement attached as an exhibit hereto (the "Reporting Persons"). Deerfield Mgmt III, L.P. is the general partner of Deerfield Private Design Fund III, L.P. ("Fund III"). Deerfield Mgmt, L.P. is the general partner of Deerfield Special Situations Fund, L.P. ("DSS Fund"), Deerfield International Master Fund, L.P. ("Master Fund") and Deerfield Partners, L.P. ("Deerfield Partners").
 - Deerfield Mgmt IV, L.P. is the general partner of Deerfield Private Design Fund IV, L.P. ("Deerfield Private Design Fund IV" and collectively with Fund III, DSS Fund, Master Fund and Deerfield Partners, the "Funds"). Deerfield Management Company, L.P. is the
- (2) investment manager of each of the Funds. James E. Flynn is the sole member of the general partner of each of Deerfield Mgmt III, L.P., Deerfield Mgmt, L.P., Deerfield Management Company, L.P. ("Deerfield Management") and Deerfield Mgmt IV, L.P. In accordance with Instruction 5(b)(iv) to Form 3, the entire amount of the Issuer's securities held by the Funds is reported herein.
- For purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, each Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of any such securities, except to the extent of his/its indirect pecuniary interest therein, if any, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that such Reporting Person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or otherwise.
 - Each share of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock, par value \$0.001 per share (the "Preferred Stock"), of the Issuer is convertible, at any time at the option of the holder of such share of Preferred Stock, into approximately 1,005 shares of the Issuer's Common Stock, par value
- (4) \$0.001 per share, at a conversion price of \$0.9949 per share, subject to adjustment for any stock splits, stock dividends and similar events in accordance with the Certificate of Designation of Preferences, Rights and Limitations of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock of the Issuer, dated August 1, 2017.



Remarks

Jonathan Leff, a partner in Deerfield Management Company, serves as a director of the Issuer.

Please see Joint Filer Information Statement attached as Exhibit 99Â hereto.

Exhibit List

Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

Exhibit 99 - Joint Filer Information Statement

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